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GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=IJFRIE]  
Sent: Saturday, July 21, 2007 3:27 PM  
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)  
Subject: Fw: Violation for Jeremiah Campbell

Here is another email from cora, denby, and board of fish e.d. Jim marcotte that explains the violation and all of their opinions on the matter for your review governor.

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From: Crome, Cora J (GOV)  
To: Frye, Ivy J (GOV)  
Sent: Sat Jul 21 15:14:44 2007  
Subject: Fw: Violation for Jeremiah Campbell

Ivy,

You might have this already, but here is Jeremiah's explanation of the situation. He was appointed by Murkowski in 05 to a one year term, then reappointed to a 3 year term in 2006, so his term is up June 30, 2009. He and Trevor McCabe are business partners in Alaska Northern Outfitters (his guide business) along with his brother Ezra. Cook Inlet commercial fishermen sent a letter asking the governor to remove him due to the violation. I specifically asked Jeremiah when we spoke if he had other violations or whether anything else might be forthcoming and he assured me that he does not. Privileged or Personal Material Redacted. Let me know if the Governor wants any more info.

Cora

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From: Crome, Cora J (GOV)  
To: Sharon Leighow <Sharon\_leighow@gov.state.ak.us>  
Sent: Fri Jul 13 16:53:45 2007  
Subject: FW: Violation for Jeremiah Campbell

Sharon,

Jeremiah's explanation of the situation is attached.

Cora

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From: Marcotte, Jim R (DFG)  
Sent: Friday, June 29, 2007 2:23 PM  
To: Crome, Cora J (GOV)  
Cc: Alaska Northern  
Subject: FW: Violation for Jeremiah Campbell

Hi Cora,

Jeremiah asked me to make sure you had the background on this. Attached is Jeremiah's letter of explanation, and below are email notes from Denby and from me.

Jim

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Sent: Thursday, June 21, 2007 4:08 PM  
To: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
Cc: Frye, Ivy J (GOV); Marcotte, Jim R (DFG); Bitney, John W (GOV)  
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Mike(s):

FYI, Board of Fisheries member Jeremiah Campbell has earned a fish and game violation; please see below.

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Denby,

Attached is the background information provided by Board of Fisheries member Jeremiah Campbell on his transporter services violation. The citation was for violating 5 AAC 12.75.400(c)(4) Transporter Activity Report, which was a misdemeanor. At his court appearance yesterday he pleaded no contest and was fined \$500 with \$250 suspended.

The error on his part was incorrectly filling out the required transporter activity report. There was a change in the regulation requiring signature of the actual person providing the transportation, but the reporting form had not been changed. He had filled the form out as he had done in the past as a representative of the company he owns with his brother, but he was not aware of the change in the regulation since it was not reflected on the form.

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Sent: Saturday, July 21, 2007 2:43 PM  
To: Lloyd; Denby S (DFG)  
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Sent: Sat Jul 21 14:41:44 2007  
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Governor: Understood. I'm on a flight toSeattle, then DC, but I'll confer with Talis and my staff on my layovers. DL.

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Subject: Re: Jeremiah Campbell

Jeremiah was cited for a violation involving his big game transporting business. He pled no contest and paid a 150 fine. In an email from cora, she says that the troopers were investigating jeremiah's brother, ezra, for having a client kill 2 black bears in 1 regulatory year. Ezra thought the 1 bear limit was for a calendar year, not per regulatory year. Ezra guided a client who shot a bear in july 2005 and may 2006. This is a violation because the regulatory year runs from july 1, 2005 to june 30, 2006.

During the investigation, troopers found that jeremiah had signed a hunt record for a hunt where ezra provided the transportation. Regulations require that the person providing transportation be the one to sign the report. troopers indicated via cora that jeremiah cooperated fully with the investigation and didn't lie or hide the matter. Colonel folger said this is a minor violation. Cora says it's not the type of violation that "merits automatic removal.". Bob tcacz has contacted cora about this matter. Jeremiah was appointed under murkowski and is sport fisherman from seward. I believe he has 1 or 2 yrs left in his term. We can compile a list of candidates if you want somw options. We have a few good names from last time and we've received more apps also. I will stand by before I do anything.

Thanks

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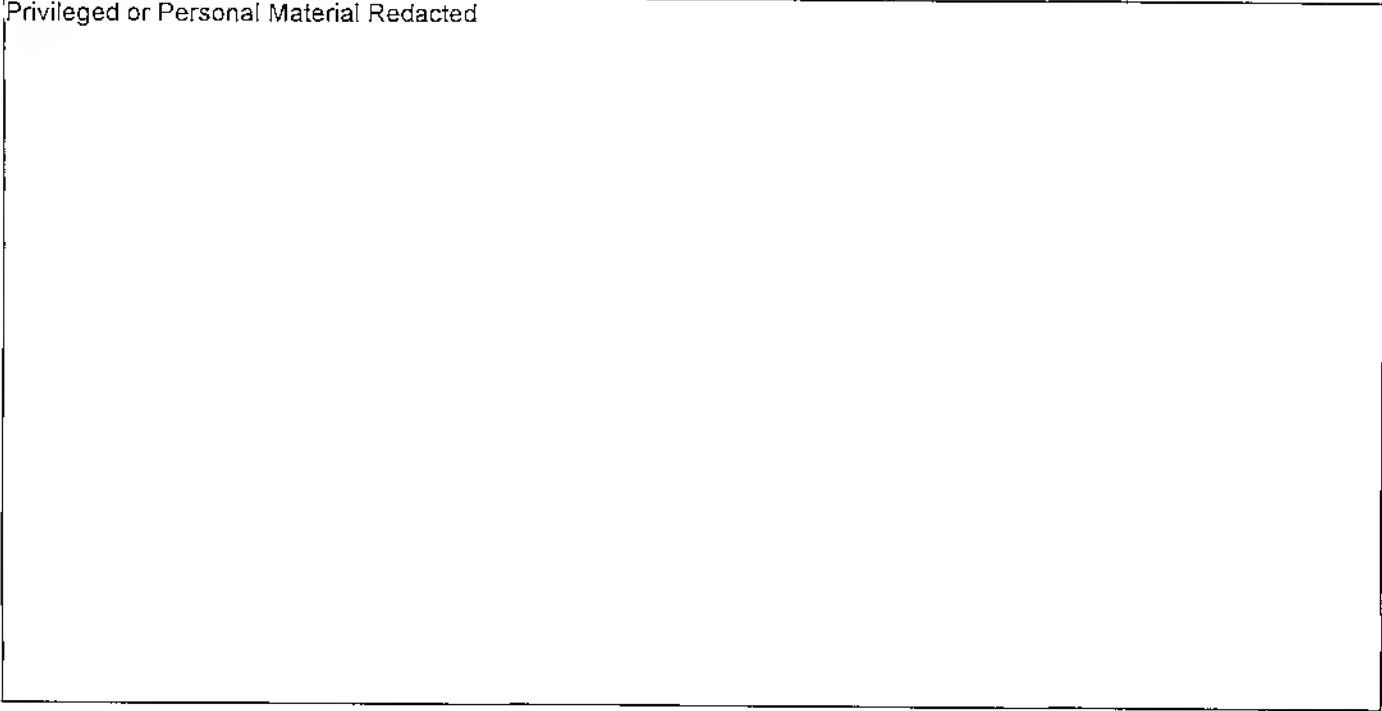
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Today a state court judge ruled against the State of Alaska on a portion of the application scoring regulations for the Nelchina (Unit 13) moose and caribou Tier II subsistence hunt permits. Director Robus's summary below characterizes the judge's decision, as well as the options that face us.

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Thanks, DL.

Denby S. Lloyd  
Commissioner  
Alaska Department of Fish and Game  
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From: Robus, Matthew H (DFG)  
Sent: Friday, July 20, 2007 5:42 PM  
To: Lloyd, Denby S (DFG)  
Cc: Saxby, Kevin M (LAW); Titus, Kimberly (DFG)  
Subject: Short summary of judge's order re Unit 13 Tier II scoring

This afternoon, Judge Jack Smith issued an injunction negating two aspects of the new Board of Game regulations (adopted at the March 07 meeting) controlling Tier II subsistence permit scoring for Unit 13.

1) The judge ruled that the income cap for Unit 13 Tier II applications was valid, but overturned the part of the reg that caused the whole application to be scored at "0" if a person received a "0" score for that question because their household exceeded the income cap. Judge Smith stated that the person should be given the other points from other questions on the application. This largely reinstates the importance of a person's answers to the "how many years have you hunted or eaten from this population" part of the application, which had made the Unit 13 hunts primarily longevity-based in the past. This was a feature that the BOG had expressly tried to change in writing the new regulation. The judge ordered the department to re-score the existing applicant pools for Unit 13 Tier II hunts using this approach. We project that the effect of this will be to allow a net increase in the number of Anchorage area applicants to participate in the hunts. The judge did not change the number of permits to be issued, so the increase in Anchorage hunters will take permits away from other communities. Notably, the judge refused to rule on the other way an application can be zeroed out—if the questions regarding customary use of the Tier II population are scored "0". So he overturned one half of the pertinent regulation but not the other, leading to questions of fairness.

2) Judge Smith also ruled against the use of the superexclusivity part of the new regulation, which prohibited Unit 13 Tier II permittees from hunting the same species elsewhere in the state during the same year. Apparently he felt this was unfairly applied to only one game management unit in the state, although the BOG enacted the provision to try to persuade people without a strong personal Unit 13 hunting history not to apply for a Unit 13 subsistence hunt.

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The Division of Wildlife Conservation is working on re-scoring the existing applicant pool according to Judge Smith's order, and expects to be ready to publish the list and print/send permits out by the end of next week. Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

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In the meantime, DWC is publishing a news release (and has put onto our website) that tells the currently-published permittee list for Unit 13 Tier II permits that their permits are not valid pending resolution of the legal issues. We expect a large number of calls to our offices over the next week as current and potential permittees try to find out their status.

Contact me at 321-0660 or via reply email if questions.

MHR

Matt Robus, Director

Division of Wildlife Conservation

Alaska Department of Fish & Game

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From: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MATIBBLES]  
Sent: Sunday, July 22, 2007 10:05 AM  
To: 'govpalln@alaska.gov'  
Subject: Re: Ivy/Nelchina, etc.

I did receive the emails regarding the board's regulations. I did not respond but I have been talking to Denby and Todd on the phone. From the emails and phone conversations, it appears as all involved know where we are.

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Privileged or I will get a better understanding of the legal issues tomorrow.

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I am scheduled to go to Fairbanks tuesday to meet with Hamilton and Therriault and I would like to go see the pipeline training center. I have also RSVP'd for the Pruhoe trip with PNWR folks. I would probably need to stay in Anch wed for the thurs trip and not get back until fri. I am rethinking this because I am not sure I need to be out of the office that much this week.

Let me know if there is anything I can do regarding the resource committee.

Mike

----- Original Message -----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)  
Sent: Sun Jul 22 08:04:58 2007

Subject: Ivy/Nelchina, etc.

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**Sent:** Sunday, July 22, 2007 4:33 PM  
**To:** Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV)  
**Cc:** Sarah Palin  
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Sean

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**Sent:** Sun 7/22/2007 12:39 PM  
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**Cc:** Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)  
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Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2007 6:19 AM

To: Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV)

Cc: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 23, 2007 1:39 PM  
**To:** Castle; Lillian K (GOV); Spencer; Kari L (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: Continuing education update

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**From:** Richard Burg [mailto:arcadia@gcl.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 23, 2007 12:46 PM  
**To:** Richard Burg  
**Subject:** Continuing education update

To All:

Since the comments were distributed, we have been working closely with the Department of Commerce (Ginger Morton), the AELS Board (Bo Brownfield), Alaska Office of Management & Budget Director (Karen Rehfeld), the Legislative Auditor (Pat Davidson), Representative Lindsey Holmes, and many others to get the comments and to piece together the attached timeline. Below are some thoughts on this subject. According to the tentative agenda, the Board appears to be moving toward adopting mandatory CE at the next meeting.

The comments link is [www.4share.com](http://www.4share.com), the email address is [cecomments@yahoo.com](mailto:cecomments@yahoo.com), and the password is cecomments.

The following documents are attached: 1) The June 05 report prepared by the Board's subgroup in response to Commissioner Blatchford's 2004 commitment (see link below), that rushed right through the analysis and concluded that mandatory CE was necessary; 2) The Continuing Education timeline that was prepared mostly to allow officials to more quickly understand the evolution of this issue; and 3) The tentative agenda for the upcoming Board meeting.

Your input is welcome.

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## MANDATORY CONTINUING EDUCATION

There are several issues that were accurately and concisely identified, in Alaska Department of Commerce & Economic Development (DCED) Commissioner Blatchford's 2004 letter attached to the legislative auditor's report (<http://www.legaudit.state.ak.us/pages/audits/2005/pdf/20028rpt.pdf>), as requiring further analysis prior to enacting mandatory continuing education (CE) for architects, engineers and land surveyors (AELS). These issues remain almost completely unaddressed by the Board to date. Each one is discussed below. The DCED should be required to address each issue in writing to the satisfaction of the Governor and OMB to make sure that the DCED has thought through the downstream impacts of this proposed unfunded mandate and documented the costs and benefits. This report should be submitted by the DCED because it doesn't appear that the Board has the resources to accomplish this analysis. The Board can, however, provide valuable input. Further action on enacting mandatory CE should be halted until something like the above described analysis is done.

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Apparently, the State can impose such a mandate for whatever reason it chooses. However, it seems like poor public policy to impose a new regulatory requirement without a thorough review of the costs and benefits. To date, the DCED has stated that there will be no costs and that the primary benefit is that Alaskan licensee regulation would be in alignment with some states. This argument that does little to justify the proposed action.

Below are the six issues addressed by Commissioner Blatchford. Commentary has been added for each one.

#### 1. Perceived administrative burden to registrants

Compliance with mandatory CE would require record keeping, submission of records for periodic audit, and possible adjudication of conflicts with the Board. Noncompliance related issues could result in licensees having to deal with efforts by the DCED to revoke one's license.

#### 2. Concern of availability of courses

Several licensees commented that those working in remote locations would not have access to courses. Also, implicit in the concept of course availability is the availability of affordably priced courses.

Should the DCED believe that it is very important for licensees to participate in CE, the State of Alaska might consider offering a large number and variety of online classes of the sort that would yield CE credits without making participation mandatory. There are numerous such courses that could be made available at little or no cost. Such a helpful and positive approach would sit much better with licensees and might actually help enhance the DCED's mission with regard to occupational regulation.

#### 3. Costs to registrants to comply,

Some registrants would have their compliance costs reimbursed by their employer. Many would not. Since it appears that mostly formal – i.e. vendor provided – CE would count, the cost of AELS services will rise. Employers will raise their fees. Unreimbursed employees will have to eat the cost, essentially taking a cut in pay.

Also underlying the concern with the cost of mandatory CE was the approximate doubling of fees at the last renewal. Upon request for justification, a spreadsheet was sent out summarizing the cost of administering the AELS registration program and dividing the cost by the number of registrants. No effort was offered to further justify these costs. "They are what they are". The statutes seem to find this explanation is adequate.

It is recommended that you read the comments of DOT/PF Commissioner Leo von Sheben, P.E. to get his views on the cost issue and the subject of mandatory CE in general. There are clearly a conflicts between the position of DOT/PF and that of the DCED.

#### 4. Staff time to implement and oversee a regulatory CE program

We have been "assured" by the DCED that there are sufficient resources available to implement a CE program without a need to increase the staff. This seems pretty far fetched based on the statute's auditing requirements and the inevitable disputes that will arise. These tasks will be added to the existing staff burden. It is not apparent that mandatory CE will in any way reduce staff burden, but rather will increase it.

Unless the enactment of mandatory CE was a done deal in advance, one might conclude that staff time limitations may have led to virtually NO interaction occurring with licensees or consumers of AELS services in the decision to proceed with mandatory CE or the drafting of the language for this mandate. It appears that the Board relied almost exclusively on input from professional societies (who sell CE) and other states. Until the notice was delivered in February, many licensees had no idea that this action was being contemplated. Many still have no idea WHY it is being proposed for enactment.

5. Expected drop off in registrants deciding not to renew

Many licensees would likely drop their registration should mandatory CE be enacted. As noted in Item 3 above, it appears that the cost of administering mandatory CE (which we think will be greater than the Department's estimate of \$0) will be distributed among a smaller group, thereby requiring higher license fees. These costs are usually marked up and passed on to the government and/or private clients. Economics generally dictates that increasing costs decreases demand – not good for licensees!

6. No demonstrated correlation between design professional's performance with mandatory CE and those not submitting to a mandatory CE program.

No evidence has been presented to indicate that a licensee who participates in a mandatory CE program demonstrates improved performance. No effort is made by DCED to define the types of problems that could supposedly be solved by mandatory CE.

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [kris.perry@alaska.gov]  
Sent: Monday, July 23, 2007 6:41 PM  
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV); fek9wnr@yahoo.com; gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Wheeler; Gary R (DPS)  
Subject: RE: Scheduling

Janice,

I apologize for not letting you know sooner; since the mid east return changed to 3pm, Gary made a reservation for the Governor to return to Anchorage from DC Thursday evening. I only know that she will depart at 5:30pm and arrive mid-evening on thurs. I've copied Gary for details.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>  
To: "fek9wnr@yahoo.com" <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>; "gov.sarah@yahoo.com" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>  
Cc: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>; "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>; "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>  
Sent: 7/23/2007 6:10 PM  
Subject: Scheduling

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July 29 - Tent: Delta Junction Fair

July 30 - Anchorage

July 31 - 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. - Governor to meet w/Kate Troll, Exec. Dir., AK Alliance & group (10), Balash, Comm, Irwin, Comm., Comm. Hartig (this meeting was requested by Ms. Troll directly to the Governor this spring).

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AUGUST - Confirmed as of Monday, 07.23.07

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1:34 p.m. - Governor and Willow, Commercial Air to Juneau arrive approx. 3:18 p.m.

4:30 p.m. - Governor and the National Weekly Reception @ the Mansion.

Aug. 2 - 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. - Governor to meet w/Enbridge Executives, COS, Balash, Comm. Irwin, Marty Rutherford - Alaska gasline (they have new things to bring to the table).

Aug. 3 - Juneau - Governor to depart to Anchorage @ approx. 1:30 p.m. or 6:37 p.m. flight.

Aug. 4 - 6:30-7:00 p.m. Anchorage -Brief remarks to Bridge Builders Annual Award Banquet and Ball - Sheraton Hotel

Aug. 5 - Anchorage

Aug. 6 - 6:00 p.m. Anchorage - FYI: Reception for Pandemic Flu Exercise Participants (Captain Cook)

Aug. 7 - 9:00 a.m. - Opening Remarks - Exercise Global Tempest

Aug. 8 - 10:00 - 12:00 noon - Cabinet Meeting

Aug. 9, 10, 11

Aug. 12 - 20 - Palin Family Vacation blocked out on calendar. Note: 08.17 - Grand Opening Bruces' Chevron.

Aug. 21 - Wasilla First Day of School

Aug. 22 - Juneau First Day of School

August 23 - Palmer State Fair -

Aug. 28 - Cabinet Meeting

Aug. 31 - Alaska Judicial Council Superior Court Judge Vacancy Appointment Deadline Today.

SEPTEMBER - Items on Calendar as of July, 23, 2007

Sept. 2-4 - FYI 2008 RNC in St. Paul, MN

Sept. 3 - Labor Day

Sept. 6 - FYI RGA Health America in Las Vegas, NV

Sept. 23 - FYI IOGCC New Orleans Meeting

Under separate email I will include you in the regrets list that I have updated for the Governor through July. Please let me know if there is anything that I can do to make this process go more smoothly for all involved and I will keep you up to date on scheduling, regretting, etc. We have lots of invitations per day coming in. The ones that you see right now are the ones that are actually confirmed on the calendar. I do have a report that can be run that shows all incoming requests if you would like to see that. It usually runs 18-25 pages per month. Thanks, Janice

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From: Hogan, Bill [/O=HSS/OU=JNU1PO/CN=DMH/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=BHOGAN]  
Sent: Monday, July 23, 2007 6:12 PM  
To: 'marnold@acsalaska.net'; Hogan; William H (HSS)  
Cc: Palin; Sarah H (GOV); 'rep\_max\_gruenberg@legis.state.ak.us';  
'Ombudsman@legis.state.ak.us'; 20080515kkjackson\_A; Jarvey; Mark A (HSS);  
Wielechowski; Bill (LAA)  
Subject: Re: Problems with state licensing

Dear Mr. Arnold thank you for sharing your concerns. I understand your frustration. I will work with our staff in the Certification and Licensing Unit to resolve these issues as quickly as possible. Sincerely, Bill Hogan

-----Original Message-----

From: marnold@acsalaska.net <marnold@acsalaska.net>  
To: Bill Hogan <bill\_hogan@health.state.ak.us>  
CC: Sarah Palin <sarah\_palin@gov.state.ak.us>; Max Gruenberg  
<rep\_max\_gruenberg@legis.state.ak.us>; Linda Lord-Jenkins <Ombudsman@legis.state.ak.us>;  
Karleen Jackson <karleen\_jackson@health.state.ak.us>; Jarvey, Mark A  
<mark\_jarvey@health.state.ak.us>; Bill Wielechowski  
<senator\_bill\_wielechowski@legis.state.ak.us>  
Sent: Mon Jul 23 17:10:31 2007  
Subject: Problems with state licensing

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From: Frye, Ivy J (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JFRIE]  
 Sent: Monday, July 23, 2007 10:00 AM  
 To: mike\_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us; gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
 Cc: janice\_mason@gov.state.ak.us  
 Subject: Juneau Superior Court nominees

We received five nominations on Tuesday, July 17<sup>th</sup> from the Alaska Judicial Council for the Superior Court vacancy left by Judge Larry Weeks. Governor Palin has 45 days to make an appointment. The deadline is Friday, August 31<sup>st</sup>. We can set up interviews on August 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> when Governor Palin is in town if this works.

I've begun soliciting recommendations from legal minds and others and will have them compiled this week (WAR, Lowenfels, Anders, Joe Miller, Paulette, Budd Simpson, Ben Brown, JNU delegation, Cathie Roemmich, Ginger and Rick Urion, Bill Gordon, John Mackinnon Annette Kreitzer, Talis, Malcom etc.)

Susan Cox is 50 yrs old and an Alaska resident for 24 years. She graduated from UC Davis Law School in 1982. Currently an assistant DA in JNU (civil division). We received letters from Talis Colberg, Justice Carpenetti (she clerked for him and has appeared in his court during her career), Chuck Kopp. She was unanimously nominated. She's active in Tongass Alaska Girl Scouts, Love Inc., and sings in the Chapel by the Lake choir.

Keith Levy is 50 yrs old and an Alaska resident for 20 years. He graduated from Santa Clara University in 1982. He's currently a District Court Judge in JNU. Dave Jones (helped with the ethics bill) and Richard Postma (appointed to ANC District Court by Governor Palin) have endorsed him. He was not sent unanimously—Chuck Kopp was a "no" vote. He was previously in private practice (civil litigation) and was an asst AG (general civil litigation).

Robert Meachum is 52 yrs old and an Alaska resident for 28 years. He graduated from Northeastern University in 1981. He's a life long public defender (1986 to present). In January, 2007 he received the David B. Snyder Award, recognizing excellence among Alaska's public defenders (there was an article in the Juneau Empire). He was not sent unanimously—Doug Bailey was a "no" vote (Doug is Landa Bailey's husband and a former AG).

Phillip Pallenberg is 45 yrs and an Alaska resident for 23 years. He graduated from the University of Washington in 1981. He's currently a part time US Magistrate and in private practice part-time. He was sent unanimously by the Judicial Council. He serves on the Alaska Bar Association, has a wife and an infant son. He clerked for Justice Carpenetti and he sent a letter of support. He always has 1 pro bono domestic violence or sexual assault case open. He has applied twice before for a judge position in Juneau (one time he was nominated, one time he wasn't). Budd and Paulette Simpson, and Chuck Kopp like Pallenberg.

Anthony Sholty is 56 yrs old and an Alaska resident for 31 years. He graduated from UCLA in 1976 and has been in private practice for 30 years. He is been with Faulkner Banfield since 1998. He is a shareholder of the firm and an employed lawyer. Previously he was an associate and then a partner for 20 years in Faulkner, Banfield, Doogan and Holmes. His firm has received several pro bono awards including a lifetime achievement award. He's a member of the Juneau Alliance for Mental Health. He was not sent unanimously—Robert Grossclose, a Bar appointment to the Council, was a "no" vote.

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**Sent:** Monday, July 23, 2007 3:51 AM  
**To:** gov.palin@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Welcome

Welcome to DC and have a good trip to the Mideast.

I know that our troops will be most appreciative of your coming. If you need any further help from here, please let me know.

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 4:30 p.m. -- Governor and the National Weekly Reception @ the Mansion.  
 Aug. 2 -- 1:00 -- 2:00 p.m. -- Governor to meet w/Enbridge Executives, COS, Balash, Comm, Irwin, Marty Rutherford -- Alaska gasoline (they have new things to bring to the table).  
 Aug. 3 -- Juneau -- Governor to depart to Anchorage @ approx. 1:30 p.m. or 6:37 p.m. flight.  
 Aug. 4 -- 6:30-7:00 p.m. Anchorage --Brief remarks to Bridge Builders Annual Award Banquet and Ball -- Sheraton Hotel  
 Aug. 5 -- Anchorage  
 Aug. 6 -- 6:00 p.m. Anchorage -- FYI: Reception for Pandemic Flu Exercise Participants (Captain Cook)  
 Aug. 7 -- 9:00 a.m. -- Opening Remarks -- Exercise Global Tempest  
 Aug. 8 -- 10:00 -- 12:00 noon -- Cabinet Meeting  
 Aug. 9, 10, 11  
 Aug. 12 -- 20 -- Palin Family Vacation blocked out on calendar. Note: 08.17 -- Grand Opening Bruces' Chevron.  
 Aug. 21 -- Wasilla First Day of School  
 Aug. 22 -- Juneau First Day of School  
 August 23 -- Palmer State Fair --  
 Aug. 28 -- Cabinet Meeting  
 Aug. 31 -- Alaska Judicial Council Superior Court Judge Vacancy Appointment Deadline Today.

SEPTEMBER - Items on Calendar as of July, 23, 2007

Sept. 2-4 -- FYI 2008 RNC in St. Paul, MN  
 Sept. 3 -- Labor Day  
 Sept. 6 -- FYI RGA Health America in Las Vegas, NV  
 Sept. 23 -- FYI IOGCC New Orleans Meeting

Under separate email I will include you in the regrets list that I have updated for the Governor through July. Please let me know if there is anything that I can do to make this process go more smoothly for all involved and I will keep you up to date on scheduling, regretting, etc. We have lots of invitations per day coming in. The ones that you see right now are the ones that are actually confirmed on the calendar. I do have a report that can be run that shows all incoming requests if you would like to see that. It usually runs 18-25 pages per month. Thanks, Janice

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**From:** Frye, Ivy J (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=IJFRYE]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 23, 2007 12:21 PM  
**To:** mike\_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us; gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Arts Council

I talked with Ben Brown and he gave me the following description of the function of the Arts Council. The Council does manage the 1% public art program. Wanted to pass this on since you asked last week. Thanks.

The Alaska State Council on the Arts is a State agency that fosters the development of the arts for all Alaskans through education, partnerships, grants and services [our formal mission statement]. Every state and territory has an arts council of some sort, all of which were founded in response to Congress's creating the National Endowment for the Arts about 40 years ago. The Alaska State Council is a granting agency, distributing funds received mostly from the Alaska Legislature and NEA to arts organizations and individual artists. These range from small grants to help artists advance their careers and help small organizations have community workshops to larger ones that help organizations like Perseverance Theatre and Valley Performing Arts provide enriching artistic activities in their communities.

The Council manages the State's Contemporary Art Bank, which loans art to public offices, and the 1% for Art public-art program, which builds art into public buildings and facilities (including the Marine Highway vessels). The Council is very interested in making sure Alaska's schoolchildren benefit from the arts in their classroom environments, and has a strong program called Artists-in-Schools which sends Alaskan artists to schools all over Alaska for one- or two-week intensive residencies that teach the children new artistic skills and also instructs teachers in how to integrate arts into more classroom activities. The Alaska State Council on the Arts also serves as a resource for local arts agencies (like the Juneau Arts & Humanities Council) so these closer-to-home arts organizations can foster a high level of all sorts of arts (literary, visual, performing) in each Alaskan community. One other activity is the Silver Hand Program, which helps authenticate Alaska Native art to prevent fraud and to augment the economic vitality of this uniquely Alaskan commodity.

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**Byers, Gail Y (LAW)**

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**From:** marnold@acsalaska.net  
**Sent:** Monday, July 23, 2007 5:11 PM  
**To:** Hogan; William H (HSS)  
**Cc:** Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Max Gruenberg; Linda Lord-Jenkins; 20080515kkjackson\_A; Jarvey; Mark A (HSS); Wielechowski; Bill (LAA)  
**Subject:** Problems with state licensing  
**Importance:** High

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**NEW CONCEPT**  
**ASSISTED LIVING HOMES**  
4516 Mountain View Drive, Anchorage, AK. 99508  
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Email: marnold@acsalaska.net

July 23, 2007

To: Bill Hogan  
DHSS Deputy Commissioner  
Re: Records and Licensing Department

I would like to address a problem with records and licensing, this being the amount of time it takes to get a provisional clearance for a new hire employee in assisted living, and costs associated with these delays.

On 6/18/07 an application was submitted for a new employee (initials V.C.) and to date do not have a provisional clearance. When we call licensing all they say is that they are waiting for paperwork from another agency. We have 4 employees at this location so 1 person of this is 25% of my workforce, which has to be covered by the other employees as overtime. Let me explain the costs to us due to this failure of a timely clearance:

1. Background fee, CPR training, and TB fine test.	\$100.00
2. 4 weeks of overtime pay.	\$960.00
3. 24 hours new hire training	<u>\$264.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,324.00</b>

The reason I included new hire training is because, Friday the employee called and said she couldn't wait any longer and had found another job, so the above figures are not correct. This is because we will spend the next 2 to 3 weeks looking for a new employee, training and certifying that person. This will just increase my overtime costs to already tired employees.

This is not an isolated incident. Since this program has started 2 years ago, only 10 to 20% of our applications have been completed on time (48 hours), all the rest have taken at least 5 to 20 days. I have had discussions with some other homes and they are having the same problems, will provide you the names if requested. Assisted Living homes are 24 hour operations, I believe that the homes in Anchorage have at least 20 to 30 people doing overtime, due to the failure of licensing issuing timely clearances. We can't afford this as we haven't even had a pay increase since the year 2000, and is also wearing out our other employees, because we can't put an employee on the shift till they have clearance.

When I call licensing some of the excuses I get are: We are shorthanded, and we are overwhelmed with applications. The problem is that this has been the same excuse since they opened 2 years ago. Is it ever going to be fixed? Prior to this system, we had the potential employee go to the state trooper office and pull a name check and return it to us. We would then check it against the barrier crime list, and then if there were an issue with it we would call

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licensing. **THIS PROCEDURE TOOK ABOUT 20 MINUTES. This is the same data being used now, why the delay?**

My suggestion for change is that it be mandated that we have to be given yes or no clearance within 5 days or an exact explanation why not (no we're waiting) so the homes can consider other options. It is time the state stands up and takes responsibility for it's lack of action and the strain it is putting on the assisted living community.

Please inform me if you intend to fix this problem and when or where I have to go for corrective action.

Sincerely,

Mark T. Arnold  
Owner

CC:	Sarah Palin AK. Governor	Karleen Jackson HSS Commissioner	Bill Wielechowski AK. State Senator
	Max Gruenberg AK. State Represenitive	Linda Lord-Jenkins AK. State Ombudsmen	

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2007 7:56 AM  
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Busch; Sharon K (GOV)  
Subject: FW: Rural/Native

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2007 7:50 AM  
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: Rural/Native

Web mail from: Mr. Thomas Hildreth  
address: 5901 W Raspberry Loop Wasilla AK 99654  
907-354-5936

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin,

Boy Scout Troop 557 will be conducting its first Eagle Scout Court of Honor on August 18, 2007 in Bethel and would like to cordially invite you to attend and help in presenting the awards.

Four Scouts, all original members of the troop, Edward Corp, Bryan Hildreth, Samuel Young and Patrick Brinich-Langlois will receive their Eagle Scout badges. Of the original 8 boys that helped form Troop 557, a 50% success rate is a remarkable accomplishment and your presence would be an additional honor.

I am the original Scoutmaster of the Troop but now live and work in Wasilla and have been still an active member of the troop.

Please let me know as soon as possible if you would be able to attend our Court of Honor.

Sincerely

Thomas A. Hildreth

thardbal@mtaonline.net

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2007 8:27 AM  
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: RE: Rural/Native

Dear Mr. Hidreth:

Thank you for the invitation for Governor Palin. This will be added to the scheduling requests for August.

Thanks again,

Janice Mason

Scheduler/Executive Secretary

Office of Governor Sarah Palin

(907) 465-3500

(907) 465-3889 (fax)

-----Original Message-----

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To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sp

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2007 6:14 PM  
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: RE: Other

Dear Ms. Wingo,

Thank you for your inquiry. There is not an upcoming ball in the near future. Janice Mason, Governor's Scheduler

-----Original Message-----

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2007 10:32 AM  
To: lisa39@mtaonline.net  
Subject: RE: Other

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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 24, 2007 1:07 PM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** RE: Palmer Rotary - invitation to be a guest speaker

Dear Mr. Cordero -

Thank you for the invitation for Governor Palin to speak at the Palmer Alaska Rotary Club. This is in the scheduling request file for the dates that you have requested. I will be contacting you in August. Thank you again,

Janice Mason  
Scheduler/Executive Assistant  
Office of Governor Sarah Palin  
(907) 465-3500  
(907) 465-3889 (fax)

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 24, 2007 11:58 AM  
**To:** Erick Cordero  
**Subject:** RE: Palmer Rotary - Invitation to be a guest speaker

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**From:** Erick Cordero [mailto:erick.cordero@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 24, 2007 11:53 AM  
**To:** Palin, Sarah H (GOV)  
**Subject:** Palmer Rotary - invitation to be a guest speaker

Dear Governor Palin,

I'm the new President of the Palmer Alaska Rotary Club and I would like to extend an invitation to you as a guest speaker at our club during the last week of August or during September. Our club meets on Thursdays at noon for lunch at the Moose Lodge in Palmer. We would invite the Wasilla and Susitna clubs and other agencies if you are able to attend.

Thank you in advance for your consideration. I can be reached at 982-0353 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Erick Cordero

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Erick Cordero  
President  
Palmer Alaska Rotary Club  
<http://www.palmeralaskarotary.com/>  
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**From:** Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=AEKREITZER]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 24, 2007 6:58 PM  
**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Alaska Public Offices Commission

Governor:

First, thank you for being willing to go to Kuwait and to support the soldiers there and elsewhere.

I have an important, sensitive issue to discuss with you about APOC and would like to talk with you when you return. I am in Anchorage at my Atwood office through Saturday evening. I know you will be tired on your return and with the picnics one after another, so if this needs to wait until Monday or Tuesday that would be fine with me. It will require about 10 minutes of your time.

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
Sent: Wednesday, July 25, 2007 10:03 AM  
To: lepping@acsalaska.net  
Subject: RE: Military\_and\_Veterans\_Affairs

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2007 10:23 PM  
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: Military\_and\_Veterans\_Affairs

Web mail from: Kyle & Molly Lepping  
address: 11826 Wilderness Drive Anchorage AK 99516  
907-245-1638

MESSAGE:

Hi Governor,

I saw you on the news tonight & it reminded me of a recent visit to the Anchorage International Airport in regards to "Welcoming our soldiers home".

When coming down the escalator from the North Terminal at AIP, there is a completely tiny sign saying, "Welcome home soldiers" or similar.

As I saw the sign I said to my wife, "Boy, if I was a soldier I wouldn't feel very welcome looking at that pathetic sign!"

She agreed completely with me.

So...my request is that you completely change the welcome sign to our Armed Forces by having something outstanding.

My wife thought of something like a flat-screen TV w/a video of you welcoming home our troops (or something artistic, personal & unique). Attention catching is the key - sorry I don't have a better idea, but hopefully this email will generate some ideas to really help our troops feel better.

I invite you to go to the AIP (or send an aide with a video cam) and check out what I mean - I think you'll agree.

Thanks for taking the time to read & consider this email. We appreciate all the good works you are doing for our great state.

Sincerely,

Kyle & Molly Lepping

lepping@acsalaska.net

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
Sent: Wednesday, July 25, 2007 10:01 AM  
To: kcnr29@gmail.com  
Subject: RE: Military\_and\_Veterans\_Affairs

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]  
Sent: Wednesday, July 25, 2007 4:13 AM  
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: Military\_and\_Veterans\_Affairs

Web mail from: Mr. Keith Hodson  
address: 3/297 IN BN Aco APO AE AK 09330

### MESSAGE:

Thank you so much for coming to visit us at Camp Buerhing last night. I was very impressed by the sincerity of your message to us. rnrnYou asked about more details about our poor training in Camp Shelby Mississippi. I don't care what that Genral said, the group that is replacing us is on the "new" 12 month deployment plan but they still had to spend 40 days in Camp Shelby. rnrnIf you respond to this, I will be happy to give you any details you want, about our poor taining and our deployment in general.rnrnI have some pitures of you during your meeting with us and a couple unique Alaska in Kuwait pictures if you would like them.rnrnThanks again,rnrnKeith HodsonrnrnNew Stuyahok,AK

kcnr29@gmail.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
Sent: Wednesday, July 25, 2007 9:53 AM  
To: vappleg269@aol.com  
Subject: RE: Military\_and\_Veterans\_Affairs

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]  
Sent: Wednesday, July 25, 2007 7:43 AM  
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: Military\_and\_Veterans\_Affairs .

Web mail from: Ms. Vickie Clay  
address: 600 Donna Dr Anchorage AK 99504  
907-337-7551

### MESSAGE:

Mam,rnI would like to encourage you to look at the state retirement benefits for Alaska Guardsmen who are also state employees. Unlike Federal employees, State employees are not allowed to purchase back their active military duty time to use toward state retirement benefits if they are using that same time toward a military retirement. State employees who choose not to join the guard are allowed to purchase their active duty military time back for state retirement. I feel this is a disservice to your guardsmen who are also state employees.rnPlease re-evaluate this situation and do the right thing for your guardsmen!rnVickie Clay - guardsman and state employee

vappleg269@aol.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
Sent: Wednesday, July 25, 2007 9:51 AM  
To: zwhealth@aol.com  
Subject: RE: Military\_and\_Veterans\_Affairs

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]  
Sent: Wednesday, July 25, 2007 9:11 AM  
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: Military\_and\_Veterans\_Affairs

Web mail from: Ms. Zulene Simmons  
address: 19722 Lace Road Chugiak AK 99567  
907 688 2559

### MESSAGE:

Once again, I am soooooooo proud of you! I was just talking with Sean Thursday about some ways to help the military. I would be happy to work with the both of you on military affairs. I have been going to the Seward recreation camps since the 80's and they have made them so that they are no longer for the "soldier" who is in the war. The are more for the retirees and upper ranks. The E1s to E4s can hardly afford to go there.

zwhealth@aol.com

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**Byers, Gail Y (LAW)**

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**From:** Kathy Hansen [seafa@gci.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 25, 2007 5:59 PM  
**To:** Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Crome; Cora J (GOV)  
**Cc:** Arne Fuglvog; Mark Vinsel; Aspelund; Susan L (DFG); Todd Bertosen; Lisa Lindeman; Bruce C Twomley; Doll; Andrea (LAA); Johansen; Kyle B (LAA); Kerttula; Beth (LAA); Wilson; Peggy A (LAA); Elton; Kim S (LAA); Kookesh; Albert (LAA); Stedman; Bert K (LAA)  
**Subject:** EPA Comments on incidental discharges

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## Southeast Alaska Fishermen's Alliance

9369 North Douglas Highway

Juneau, AK 99801

Phone 907-586-6652

Fax 907-523-1168

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E-mail: [seafa@pci.net](mailto:seafa@pci.net)

July 25, 2007

Water Docket Environmental Protection Agency  
Mailcode: 2822T 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, NW  
Washington, DC 20460

RE: Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2007-0483

Sent by email to: [ow-docket@epa.gov](mailto:ow-docket@epa.gov)

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the early notification that EPA in response to a court case is developing NPDES permits under the clean water act for the discharge of pollutants incidental to the normal operation of vessels.

Southeast Alaska Fishermen's Alliance (SEafa) believes that if the EPA court appeal is not successful that the solution that should be pursued is legislation that provides EPA the statutory authority that EPA believed they had to exclude certain discharges incidental to the normal operation of vessels from NPDES permitting for all the classes and discharges currently exempted.

Failing a statutory fix the only slightly plausible solution are general permits covering classes of vessels as currently used in some other situations. EPA needs to spend their time and resources on the issues that have a significant effect on the health of the water column such as ballast water and the spread of invasive species (non-native) that ballast water has caused, sewage from cruise ships and not the permitting of approximately 18 million vessels in the United States. EPA needs to spend their time and resource on issues and permits that make a difference and not incidental discharges, large volume discharges or if new information becomes available that a certain type of discharge is having a degrading effect on the environment work on that specifically and not permit vessels for the sake of developing a bureaucracy to issue permits.

The State of Alaska has 9,627 commercial fishing vessels registered by Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission in 2007 ranging in length from open skiffs 7 ft long to large vessels 635 feet long. These vessels participate in a variety of fisheries.



There are also over 69,000 recreational or non-commercial vessels registered in the State of Alaska not including small non-motorized vessels not requiring registration or documented vessels.

Your request asks for identification of data sources to use in the identification, categorization and description of the numbers and types of commercial and recreational vessels. Data sources in Alaska that could be used for this include the State of Alaska Dept of Motor Vehicles, State of Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission, State of Alaska Dept of Fish and Game Sport Fish Division (charter vessels) and the United States Documentation Center.

Before permits are required, we request that the EPA conduct a cost benefit analysis of the enormous paperwork, manpower, and energy that would be required to conduct and enforce this level of regulations and proceed only with regulations that can be expected to provide a net benefit to the waters on which we depend for our livelihoods. There is not the infrastructure necessary to deal with the disposal of all the incidental discharges even if all the vessels were retrofitted to collect all discharge streams.

Southeast Alaska Fishermen's Alliance is a multi-gear membership based organization representing our members involved in the salmon, crab, shrimp and longline fisheries of Southeast Alaska.

Sincerely,

Kathy Hansen

Kathy Hansen  
Executive Director

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Sent: Thursday, July 26, 2007 7:25 PM  
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
Subject: Sept 1

Pls sched Aug 31-Sept 1 I'll be in Frbnks with DOL Commish Click Bishop. Thanks!

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
Sent: Thursday, July 26, 2007 10:22 AM  
To: hytrys@starband.net  
Subject: RE: Other

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Wednesday, July 25, 2007 10:29 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Daniel Hytry

address: PO Box 1 Lake Minchumina AK 99757

907-674-3127

MESSAGE:

Dear Honorable Sarah Palin:

The Postal Service is the most important part of any Alaskan community; the mail is a dependable service none of us can live without. Lake Minchumina is not different. The latest news on our P.O. is if the community can find a facility that will have "little to no cost" to the USPS our P.O. will remain a full service P.O. This is quite a request. However the community did come up with some options at the short notice they gave us (2-3 days). Here is some background information:

USPS has a building on leased FAA land, but the land has contaminates. The lease is up September 30, 2007, USPS will not extend the lease, even though FAA is liable for the contaminates, but USPS denies this even though they've got the documentation that states FAA is liable and will remain liable. It is also Federal Law. They've even been so kind as to share this documentation with us. We've pointed it out a number of times, to each department, they don't seem to care.

Options given by community:

1. Move the current facility onto the school district's property temporarily (We acquired permission from the Superintendent to do so.) while Lake Minchumina's local Gov. pursues leasing land from FAA or moving building to private property.

2. USPS pursues leasing a different piece of property from FAA; this could be done at

little to no cost and wouldn't take much time.

3. Lake Minchumina's local Gov. is pursuing purchasing a building that would be available to use as a P.O. free of charge.

4. USPS extends lease with FAA.

5. USPS purchases currently leased land from FAA.

- FAA remains liable for contaminates even after transfer.

- Cost \$10,000.

USPS told us they'd like to "break even" on their costs of operation in Lake Minchumina, there is no P.O. in the state of Alaska that breaks even; Paul Larson of USPS admitted this.

USPS also wants the facility to have sewer and hot/cold water, very few post offices in rural Alaska have sewer or running water, Paul also agreed on this fact.

USPS wants Handicap accessibility, for a full service P.O. or contract post office. Very few P.O.s in rural Alaska have that either.

USPS requires the land be at least 1 acre.

If these are requirements of the USPS, why then is our P.O. being singled out? Every rural Post Office in Alaska will be shut down if USPS implements all of these requirements. Please help our P.O. in Lake Minchumina remain a full service Post Office.

Thank you,

Daniel Hytry

P.O. Box 1

Lake Minchumina AK 99757

hytrys@starband.net

907-674-3127

Cc: Legislature

Lisa Murkowski

Don Young

Ted Stevens

Sean Parnell

hytrys@starband.net

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**From:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [sharon.leighow@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 27, 2007 3:33 PM  
**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Cc:** Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)  
**Subject:** Palmer Pride

**Palmer Pride Picnic**  
**Welcome remarks and Palmer Citizen of the Year remarks**  
**July 27, 2007**  
**Governor Sarah Palin**

Thank you - Mayor Combs for the Invitation to the Palmer Pride Picnic.

A big thank you to the many businesses that sponsored this terrific event! To the city of Palmer and the Palmer Chamber of Commerce - another job well done!

It's always great to be able to spend time in the Valley during the summer!

It is a privilege to be with you here today. And it is truly an honor to be able to congratulate the 2007 Palmer Citizen of the Year - Mary Jo Parks!

(If she is there)

Thank you, Mari Jo - for your incredible dedication and commitment to our community and residents who have been touched by your kindness and generosity.

Please know that your commitment to our community does not go unnoticed by many who have been touched by your dedication to our youth and families

Your work with the Mat-Su Special Santa Program and Halloween Hollow has benefited many families.

The Special Santa Program truly makes magic happen. In 2005, over 1840 children from 683 families, ages newborn to 18, received gifts through the generous donations of people in the Valley. And I know thousands of kids have taken part in Halloween Hollow. As a parent, I thank you for helping to provide a safe atmosphere for our kids! Thank you for making these events happen!

It is people like you - people who go above and beyond to help others- that make this city great. Again, I say thank you for giving back to your community.

(shake hands)

Thank you so much for hosting such a great event! I look forward to enjoying the picnic and visiting with you. Thank you!

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [sharon.leighow@alaska.gov]

Sent: Friday, July 27, 2007 11:52 AM

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Kyle Hopkins ADN

Welcome back Governor!

Kyle Hopkins is doing a story that will be published this weekend similar to the one Sabra was working on regarding special sessions being held outside of Juneau. He would like a few minutes of your time this afternoon regarding the fall session and your philosophy on where commissioners should live (is there any mandate?).

In case he asked you where you are spending your time, I have already told him that the mansion is undergoing needed repairs i.e. windows, pipes etc. and your office is undergoing asbestos abatement.

His numbers are 257-4334 and cell 382 2159.

Please let me know if you would like me to handle this. I do feel that strong words from you regarding the special session will hit home.

Thank you.

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GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]  
Sent: Friday, July 27, 2007 4:57 PM  
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)  
Subject: RE: Soldier

Governor - I am awaiting word from DMVA on this information. They should have it forth coming by Monday, July 30. Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Thursday, July 26, 2007 2:49 PM  
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)  
Subject: Soldier

J: pls let me know if we hear about the recent AK soldier (from Copper Cntr) who was killed in action - his funeral should be next wk and I'd like to attend. Thank you

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=GOVERNOR]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 27, 2007 10:07 AM  
**To:** Mason; Janice L (GOV); Cayce; Sunny C (GOV); Provost; Kathryn T (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: Message to all DOT&PF Employees - July 2007

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**From:** Veasey, Teri A (DOT)  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 26, 2007 8:13 PM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Kelly, Russell T (GOV)  
**Cc:** Provost, Kathryn T (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: Message to all DOT&PF Employees - July 2007

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**From:** Von Scheben, Leo (DOT)  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 26, 2007 8:55 AM  
**To:** Veasey, Teri A (DOT)  
**Subject:** FW: Message to all DOT&PF Employees - July 2007

Please forward this to the Governor and Mike Tibbles and Russ Kelly. LEO

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**From:** Commissioner, DOT (DOT sponsored)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 25, 2007 4:07 PM  
**To:** DOT - All Staff  
**Subject:** Message to all DOT&PF Employees - July 2007

When I came on board in February I discussed with you my five-point business philosophy. I've been happy to see that many DOT&PF staff have posted copies of this philosophy in their workspaces. If you recall, the points are:

1. Customer Satisfaction
2. Employee Satisfaction
3. Quality Products
4. Have some Fun
5. Manage the Money

I'd like to take a couple moments discussing the issue of customer satisfaction. While we all work for the people of Alaska, some divisions also have more localized customers that they serve. The Alaska Marine Highway System, as an example, serves those people who chose to ride our ferries. Design, is another example, serves our construction section. Well, here are some points I'd like to share with you on how to sharpen that service quality to the people of Alaska, users, and other internal customers:

1. Communicate to your customer (communication is always going to be number one).
2. Be consistent in providing and delivering noticeably superior service.
3. Your customer will define the value of services so find out what they want and deliver it.
4. Your customer will continually judge your service so get as much feedback as possible (face to face is best).
5. Try and exceed the customer's expectation.

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6. Listen to your customers. They usually will tell you their needs.
7. Continually evaluate your service. Ask yourself, "How am I doing"?
8. No surprises -- never, ever surprise the customer. Customers do not like surprises and they particularly don't like surprises involving the issues of budget and schedule.
9. Don't be afraid to talk to your customer -- again communicate.

All-in-all, customer service is all about letting the customer set the value, measure yourself and your performance and communicate -- communicate -- communicate.

I recently attended a successful groundbreaking ceremony on the new Glenn-Bragaw interchange. It was great that Governor Palin was on hand to give this important project a proper sendoff. As many of you know, this is the first phase of the Highway-to-Highway project which will one day provide an expressway linking the Glenn with the Seward Highway. I also attended the recent Glenn Highway Weigh Stations opening. Kudos to the MSCVE for their work on this project. The CVISN is exciting technology that will benefit the efficient movement of freight across our highways. This is something the trucking industry should really appreciate.

The Marine Transportation Advisory Board has had two meetings so far this summer and we're expecting good things out of this advisory group. I am looking to the MTAB to provide a statewide perspective on ways the Marine Highway System can deliver dependable service with the funding the Legislature has made available. We certainly understand the concerns expressed regarding service to Prince William Sound this winter and we are doing what we can to aid the communities with the budget that we have been given.

I continue to be concerned about the issue of attrition of our workforce, particularly the loss of mid-level managers within the department. I hope that all supervisors are thinking about recruiting and retaining the next generation of leaders within the department.

Leo

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Sent: Friday, July 27, 2007 3:13 PM  
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
Subject: AK Board Room Card for Gov. Palin

Governor - FYI

At Gary's request you have an active Board Room Membership with Alaska Airlines. The account is active now and is the same number as your frequent flyer number, Privileged c. They are mailing a temporary card today, and will have a permanent card to you in a few weeks.

Janice

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From: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MATIBBLES]  
Sent: Saturday, July 28, 2007 12:09 PM  
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Rutherford, Martha K (DNR); Perry,  
Kristina Y (GOV); Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)  
Subject: Re: Sp sess

I gave Kris a copy to send back with Gary. I was told it was in your packet. Our goal was to include some of the PPT review conclusions in the letter as a demonstration of our thorough review and support for the special session. Recent discussions have still left a question on how to address heavy oil. We were hoping to give you a quick update and have you in town when the letter goes out (monday would be great) so you are not out when legislators respond to the press.

Mike

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Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Rutherford, Martha K (DNR); Perry,  
Kristina Y (GOV); Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)  
Sent: Sat Jul 28 11:07:56 2007  
Subject: Sp sess

Mike: i haven't seen the letter to leggies re: my call for sp sess in Oct. Has it gone out? Hopefully yes - otherwise I need to call leggies who've been asking - I'll call them tonight if letter hasnt gone out still.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Sent: Saturday, July 28, 2007 7:50 AM  
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
Subject: Fw: Session

Hi J: for the record, pls add to yest's sched that I conducted and ADN interview, 12:00pm, with reporter Kyle Hopkins. Thanks!

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Sat, 28 Jul 2007 12:42:35

To: "Michael A Tibbles" <mike\_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us>, "Sharon W Leighow" <sharon\_leighow@gov.state.ak.us>, "Kristina Y Perry" <kris\_perry@gov.state.ak.us>

Subject: Fw: Session

Fyi re my interview with ADN yesterday.

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From: "Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)" <govpalin@alaska.gov>

Date: Sat, 28 Jul 2007 04:23:07

To: khopkins@adn.com

Subject: Session

Hi Kyle: I realize now one of your questions yesterday was, "Since the ELECTION have you spent more time working in Juneau (or elsewhere)..."

We'd been talking about the legislative session, so I thought you were asking, "Since the SESSION..." And my answer was based on that wrong assumption re: leg session.

Since being sworn in as Gov I've worked out of Juneau more than elsewhere, obviously, as

I was in Juneau most entirely from January through end of May. Since the session ended I've spent more time traveling AK and working out of the Anchorage office.

I apologize for jumping to a conclusion on what question you were asking.

Thanks Kyle.

Sarah

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Sent: Sunday, July 29, 2007 10:26 AM  
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Campbell; Craig (MVA); Lloyd; Denby S (DFG); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Colberg; Talis J (LAW); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Mills; Andy J (GOV)  
Subject: Today

Janice: Just for the record for sched:

I'm going visiting gold mine claims at Alfred Creek today - Ahtna Region - near Glennallen. I'll get there via four-wheeler and my Dad is with me. Thanks J.

And HAPPY, HAPPY BIRTHDAY yesterday!!! Look forward to seeing you this week. Thanks for everything!

Kris- hopefully yesterday's event was good for you! I tried to plant myself in one place for longer periods of time and we told people I couldn't run off as often to see their booth, or group of friends, or whatever the request may be. That helped with the crowd. Also, working in the food line helped a lot bc I was planted in one place for that long stretch. Hopefully the afternoon was enjoyable for you - moreso than the last few events! It was good to see Clark there w/the inspector, too.

A few folks have asked me who donated to both picnics - they want to thank the sponsors. I told them we're putting ads in Frontiersman and ADN to give those sponsors publicity and thanks. So let's do that and if we need picture(s) to go with it, Andy has good ones that feature seniors and little kids (I don't want to be the photo's focus). The list of sponsors is long for both picnics, one ad designed for both, highlighting all sponsors, will be great. Thanking the awesome picnic committee folks too.

Sharon- thanks so much for putting up with the chaos yesterday. Believe it or not, the mayhem wasn't as bad as it could have been. I really hope you're resting today. Thank you.

Mike and Mike and Denby and Craig: the #1 request I got from Alaskan troops in Kuwait was for an extension of hunting season - this is their second moose/caribou season they have to miss bc of the Guard's deployment timing. I told them (there aren't that many who'd utilize the extension) that I'd do ALL I could to let them fill their freezers this year. They return in October and need a few weeks to hunt. The Bush Ak troops - all Natives whom I spoke with - asked for this. I think it's perfect and request that this be allowed for them. Rep Nancy Dallstrom told me whatever she can do with this request, she'll do. Can this be done via Ex or Admin Order? I thought it was an awesome request. Proxy hunts possible? Xtention for them to hunt when they return (that's what they want to do...).

Gen Campbell- thanks for letting me visit our troops! Amazing. It will be a lifetime highlight for me. Thank you.

And I got to meet Talis' brother-in-law over there, along with a few guys who were related to Todd, from rural AK. Small world, huge mission.

Denby and Talis- also, hopefully the game bd doesn't have in mind to challenge court's ruling on Tier 11.

I wouldn't be able to support that decision at all.

Thanks, all, for the great assistance at this weekend's events!

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [sharon.leighow@alaska.gov]

Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 12:47 PM

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Don Young

Governor:

Congressman Young's office called this morning. They are about to send out their newsletter which includes a picture of you and the Congressman. I left a message requesting a copy of the picture and cutline. Given the news stories of late, they wanted to know if we had any strong feelings about running it.

Any thoughts?

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**From:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [sharon.leighow@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 30, 2007 9:39 AM  
**To:** Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** FW: Picnic Critic  
Good Info -

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**From:** Morgan, Katryn L (GOV)  
**Sent:** Monday, July 30, 2007 9:28 AM  
**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
**Cc:** Stapleton, Meghan N (GOV)  
**Subject:** Picnic Critic

Perhaps Mr/Ms. Burgess might feel differently if they knew that (according to McHugh Pierre of the DMVA) 20% of our veterans reside in the Valley?

## Letters to the editor

*(Published: July 30, 2007)*

### Was Palin's military appreciation picnic another Wasilla promo?

This is about the governor's Military Appreciation Picnic held 4-8 p.m. Friday at the Wasilla Iditapark.

Once again our governor is spotlighting Wasilla by having the military appreciation event not where the military live and work, but clear out in Wasilla on a Friday evening when most were still working. By the time they got off work it's still at least an hour's drive. Was this truly an appreciation of our military or another opportunity to focus on Wasilla?

---- Pat Burgess  
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**From:** BJBalash@att.net  
**Sent:** Monday, July 30, 2007 10:22 PM  
**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Cc:** Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
**Subject:** Tuesday meeting

Sorry I'm having to send this from personal email, but I can't log into the State system right now.

Attached is tomorrow's memo for the Alaska Conservation Alliance meeting in the morning. I will be in the office if you'd like to go over any of this ahead of the meeting.

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 30, 2007 3:36 PM  
**To:** George Keeney  
**Subject:** RE: 2007 ASFA/ASFC Fire Confernece Valdez Alaska

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

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**From:** George Keeney [mailto:gkeeney@d.valdez.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 30, 2007 2:17 PM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** 2007 ASFA/ASFC Fire Confernece Valdez Alaska

Re: Alaska State Firefighters Association and the Alaska Fire Chiefs Association

2007 Fire Conference

Valdez, Alaska

Dear Governor Palin,

I would like to invite you to the 2007 Fire Conference here in Valdez Alaska on September 24-29<sup>th</sup>. We are expecting over 300 firefighters and Chiefs from all over the state.

I have asked previously that you open the conference on Wednesday the 26<sup>th</sup>. It would be our honor to have you open our conference. Most of the firefighters that attend this conference are volunteers and dedicate hundreds of hours keeping our state safe.

We all know you have a very busy schedule and have to attend many functions. The conference has asked each year that the governor attend the opening ceremonies. Over the past few years we have had the Lt Governor step in for you to address the conference. If you can not make the Wednesday opening ceremonies can you check your schedule for the banquet on the 29<sup>th</sup>? Our banquet honors firefighters and Chiefs that have accomplished good deeds and award excellence in the job.

I would also like to thank you for signing into law the safe cigarette act. This will save lives and property for Alaskans into the future.

If your staff can please put September 26<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday) at 8:30 am for the opening ceremonies and/or September 29<sup>th</sup> (Saturday) at 6:30 pm for the closing ceremonies and awards I would appreciate your appearance along with the 300 plus firefighters if at all possible. I did get the letter welcoming the attendees and that letter will be in the booklet for all attendees to see.

Sincerely,

George R Keeney

Chief

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Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 2:26 PM  
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Clark; Chris H (CED); Tibbles; Kristy R (DFG); Perry; Clark W (DOC); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)  
Subject: FBI raiding Steven's Girdwood home as I type - source Channel 11

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Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)  
Subject: Re: Sp session

Thanks!

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 30 Jul 2007 08:33:26

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, "Rutherford, Martha K (DNR)" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>, "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>, "Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)" <patrick.galvin@alaska.gov>

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Subject: RE: Sp session

Kris Perry and I have discussed this and now need to make some calls on availability of facilities to house the session for 30 days or so. I will get on the phone with Kris 1st thing and get the ball rolling. We will have to coordinate with Leg-A for the fine details on there needs.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Mon, 30 Jul 2007 15:39:10

To: "Kristina Y Perry" <kris\_perry@gov.state.ak.us>

Cc: "Sharon W Leighow" <sharon\_leighow@gov.state.ak.us>, "Michael A Tibbles" <mike\_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us>

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To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, "Rutherford, Martha K (DNR)" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>, "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>, "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>

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Sounds good, Governor. We have a letter ready to go out today. Mike and Joe have been working on it, and we have a version ready for you to look at. I'll get with Kris on scheduling a time to get everyone together with you.

-Pat

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Grand opening of Bruce's Chevron date moved to aug 24

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Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 4:28 PM  
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)  
Cc: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Subject: RE: editorial in ADN

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Mark D. Kelsey  
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Let me know if you'd like a rewrite and what direction a rewrite should take. Thanks!

On another picnic-related note, for future reference, I noticed that the governor referred to borough assembly person Lynne "Wood" in her comments. Her last name is "Woods." Also, "brigadier" (as in brigadier general) is pronounced with a hard G, as in "brig", not with a soft G, as in "bridge".

Mark

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Sent: Mon 7/30/2007 2:07 PM  
To: Kelsey, Mark D (GOV)  
Cc: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
Subject: FW: editorial in ADN

Mark,

Can you please draft a letter of response from Governor Palin to the Burgess letter to the editor in today's ADN? Below is a response from Cheryl Mativa who is submitting. I've also asked that Bert Hall respond as well.

Colleen can provide you additional information too.

Thanks,

Kris

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From: Sullivan-Leonard, Colleen (GOV)  
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 1:51 PM  
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)  
Subject: FW: editorial in ADN

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From: Cheryl Metiva [mailto:cherylm@wasillachamber.org]  
Sent: Mon 7/30/2007 12:57 PM  
To: Sullivan-Leonard, Colleen (GOV)  
Subject: editorial in ADN

In response to the editorial by Pat Burgess in the ADN:

Please rest assured that Governor Palin, her staff or the many volunteers who facilitated the Mat-Su Governor's picnic did not arrange the theme of Military Appreciation as an exclusion of Military or guests. Historically, a Governor's picnic is hosted in many communities throughout the state each summer. Commissioners & staff of the Governor assist in the serving of food and picnics are held in close proximity to the same weekend so that it is a statewide event. The Friday night Mat-Su picnic was held for Mat-Su residents and although guests could come from anywhere to enjoy the event, the Anchorage picnic was held the very next day (Saturday) to accommodate her residents. The Greater Wasilla Chamber of Commerce has hosted a Military Appreciation Day to honor active service men & women (and their families) from the Valley for over eight years. Our Military Appreciation Day has never been designed as a statewide event nor a memorial service. It has truly been a "thank you" to our Valley residents serving in all branches of military service and to provide loved ones the opportunity to receive a blue star flag and acknowledgement of support. Our Chamber decided to combine the Governor's picnic and Military Appreciation Day into one event to provide our community with one large picnic without duplicating the efforts of sponsors, volunteers and attendees. As you can see, the Mat-Su picnic was a labor of love that the Military service men & women, families, friends and greater Valley community enjoyed and appreciated.

Cheryl

Cheryl Metiva, Executive Director

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Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 3:34 PM  
To: Betty Fields  
Subject: RE: Two different announcements

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From: Betty Fields [mailto:bbptarmigan@msn.com]  
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 3:17 PM  
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: Two different announcements!

To Governor Palin.

Hi Sarah ,

First of all let me say I am so glad you are back on US ground. I prayed for your safety while in Iraq. But Burt and I are so very proud of you.

Our Chugiak Lions Club helped purchase the Eye Vision Trailer and also purchased the machine to check eyes with, ( mostly children) but also adults can be checked. We will have the trailer at the State Fair and would like to invite you make an appearance and have your childrens eye checked. We The Lions Clubs do all this free for the public. Look forward to seeing you there.

The second notice is that this year is the 60th anniversary of Chugiak. On August 18, the Chugiak Lions club with help from others in the area will have a Free Picnic at Mirror Lake from 12 noon to 3:00 P.M. We will have entertainment and hope to have KTUU and/or Channel 11 there as well. If you and your family should happen to be in the area ,we would like to extend an invitation to you and your family. Rep. Bill Stoltz one of our good members of the Chugiak Lions will ofcourse be there.

Good Luck to you and thanks for a job well done. Our grandson ( Shaun that spoke to you regarding joining the marines) when you two were talking

regarding Trak thinking about joining the marines, is now in the Marines.  
Please pray for him.

Best regards,

Betty Fields

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 3:08 PM  
To: Bruce@bruceeggleson.com  
Subject: RE: Fish\_and\_Game

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Sent: Friday, July 27, 2007 4:47 PM  
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: Fish\_and\_Game

Web mail from: Mr. Bruce Eggleson  
address: PO Box 465 Willow AK 99688  
907-495-2580

### MESSAGE:

Sarah, rnThis stinks, I originally recieved a tier 2 permit for caribou, then after spending hundreds of dollars going up there to scout an area to hunt and surveying the caribou, I come home to find out that my permit has gone to someone else. It seems like the old "squeaky wheel gets the grease" philosophy. The problem is that I don't know who to squeak to. You are the only person I know in state government. If you can't do anything about this, or direct me to someone who can... please feel free to use my example in any fight the State may have in this matter. rn rnV/RrnBruce Eggleson

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Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 3:05 PM  
To: dixiesticks@gci.net  
Subject: RE: Fish\_and\_Game

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To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: Fish\_and\_Game

Web mail from: Mr. Mark Campbell  
address: 613 W Daron Drive Palmer AK 99645  
9077466579

### MESSAGE:

July 27, 2007rn Sara Palin, Governorrn877 Commercial DrivernWasilla, AK 99645rnMr. Mark Campbell:rnMy name is Mr. Mark Campbell and I reside in Palmer, AK. I am writing you today because of the unfortunate circumstances surrounding the Tier II permits for TC566, Caribou. rnI found out that I was awarded a Tier II permit to hunt the TC566 Caribou on July 21. I have since found out on July 27, 2007 my permit has been rescinded due to the elimination of the income question that prompted the rescoring of the applications. rnMany of Southcentral Alaskans deemed this question unfair. I however, was not among them. I felt the question was rather pertinent to the application processes. This question was not advocated for in my opinion, it was just merely dropped. In many Alaskan hunting forums there were many who objected to this income cap. The most opposed were people who were above the income cap. rnThe reason why I believe that the income question should have remained in!

tact is because it gives fiscally challenged people such as me, an accessible, economical hunt. I am not seeking trophy value; I am just after the game to supplement my families' income. Mind you we would not have starved but this blue collar, hard-working, tax-paying guy just needs a break to subsidize his food bill. rnObviously, the majority of my points lie here with this question, as they deem this question unfair. I could very well, say the question pertaining to "How long have you or your family taken or eaten meat from this unit" as an unfair question as obviously, there are people that have been hunting this herd for quite some time. At this rate I will never be allotted the opportunity to hunt this herd unless it goes to an open draw system. This is déjà-vu for me because 17 years ago my permit was rescinded because it changed to the tier II system. The state giveth and the state taketh away.rnThis news saddens my family and many others like mine. If I made!

over 51,640 a year I could hunt, fish elsewhere other than m!

y own backyard. So, as I am walking the dog at the corner of the Glen Hwy. and the Palmer-Wasilla Hwy and I see the motorhomes with their trailer attachments to support the family of quadrunners. I remember that the state giveth and the state taketh away, again from this disappointed lowly foot hunter. rnrn"Fair is what comes around once a year in September".rnrnMark A. Campbellrnrn907 746-6579

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To: tgl@mtaonline.net  
Subject: RE: Fish\_and\_Game

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To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: Fish\_and\_Game

Web mail from: Mr. Thomas Little  
address: 1765 S Heirloom Cir # B Palmer AK 99645

### MESSAGE:

I am sure you are aware of the subsistence hunting tier 11 problems that recently occurred and because I am a 58 year old hunter that has hunted the Nelchina caribou for over 30 years I have concerns about the boards decision to make income an issue, with my social security dissibility checks this last year I made \$2900. over the \$51,000. limit and the way the rule was written I did not apply this year even though it meant higher food costs this winter for my family, the Judge ruled to change this unfair requirement but did not take into account the folks that did not even try because the way the new measure was put forth. Is it your belief that even those of us on fixed retirement or dissibility incomes should be not allowed access to this resource? I came to Alaska when it was a territory and have lived and hunted here ever since, I feel that consideration for time spent should count more that the amount of money I made it a year. I would appreciate your comment on this as!

I am considering a law suit myself along with others. But will reserve my decision until I hear from you since I know you understand the need of the older folks that have lived and worked in Alaska for a long time.

Thank you for your time

Thomas

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To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
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Mike

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**Sent:** Monday, July 30, 2007 4:51 PM  
**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Cc:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)  
**Subject:** Important Phone Call - Tues., 07.31.07 @ 12:00 Noon  
**Importance:** High

Governor -

Cynthia Carroll, CEO of Anglo American (A Global Leader in Mining and Natural Resources) based in London has requested to speak with you in confidentiality regarding a large investment that they are looking at in Alaska.

The call has been put on your calendar and set up for tomorrow, Tuesday, 07.31.07 @ 12:00 noon, Alaska Time for approximately 10 minutes. The Company will be calling into Kris Perry's number and then Kris will transfer to your office. Thank you, Janice

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GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=IJFRIE]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 30, 2007 6:17 PM  
**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** phone call

Governor, would you have time for a quick phone call with me this evening? I just want to keep your feedback on a couple of things. Don't worry if you're swamped.

Thanks,

Ivy Frye  
director of boards and commissions  
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 Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 11:50 AM  
 To: Kris Perry; Governor Sarah Palin  
 Cc: Tom Irwin; Larry Persily; Sam Bishop; Larry Hartig; Denby Lloyd; Joseph Balash; Michael Tibbles; Mike Nizich  
 Subject: NGA/Natural Resources Committee

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From: Frye, Ivy J (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=IJFRIYE]  
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 2:55 PM  
To: Sharon Leighow; gov.sarah@yahoo.com; mike\_nizich@gov.state.ak.us;  
mike\_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us; Kris Perry; Clark; Christopher G (GOV)  
Subject: Sen Stevens

**A story broken by CBS 11 News:**

The IRS and the FBI have exercised a search warrant on the home of Senator Ted Stevens in Girdwood. CBS 11 News will bring you the details tonight on:

**CBS 11 News at 5 and 6.**

Ivy Frye  
director of boards and commissions  
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From: John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]  
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 11:50 AM  
To: Kris Perry; Governor Sarah Palin  
Cc: Tom Irwin; Larry Persily; Sam Bishop; Larry Hartig; Denby Lloyd; Joseph Balash; Michael Tibbles; Mike Nizich  
Subject: NGA/Natural Resources Committee

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**From:** Frye, Ivy J (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=IJFRIYE]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 30, 2007 6:17 PM  
**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** phone call

Governor, would you have time for a quick phone call with me this evening? I just want to keep your feedback on a couple of things. Don't worry if you're swamped.

Thanks,

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=GOVERNOR]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 30, 2007 10:27 AM  
**To:** Cayce; Sunny C (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: GERONIMO Update (UNCLASSIFIED)

**From:** Balcavage, Robert M. LTC USA HHC 1-501 PIR BN CDR [mailto:robert.balcavage@4bct.25id.pac.army.mil]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 30, 2007 9:30 AM  
**To:** aksnowangel1@hotmail.com; pokolocoiaz@qwest.net; brian good; phillips.de.ka@sbcglobal.net; Carmen Bucci; Dana Giglio; kdkeim@hometownu.com; dean.newman@us.army.mil; Debbie Pini; Dynise Balcavage; Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); james.n.ortoli@us.army.mil; Mak96zach01@aol.com; Jill & Steve First; JOELJ.LEVESQUE@JS.PENTAGON.MIL; Kyle and Tricia Lear; McNamara,Lisa; odonnellm@jfcbs.nato.int; megan.mcswain@us.army.mil; Smith, Melody D. LTC JCS J4; michael.wells@sap.com; lm.bucci@verizon.net; Derfler, Monique; m18mccarthy@hotmail.com; nheupel@qwest.net; Patin J Steven MAJ USARAK CMD SGS; Pittman Matthew SSG ALCOM/J11; Werling, Ryan M. MAJ USA WHMO/WHTA; john.sena@us.army.mil; Stephen Miller; timothy.lorenz@us.army.mil; Cindy Sjostedt; Miralda, Victoria L LTC MIL USA/SMDC; BetsyB; Win.Balcavage@ampacet.com; CJPSAROS@aol.com; Jill & Steve First; Gmchiro@aol.com; Tom Morgan; timothy.j.walters@lmco.com  
**Subject:** GERONIMO Update (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE

All,

Here's my input to our BN's monthly newsletter. Thanks for all of the support you all show us.

GERONIMO Families and Friends,

Well it's been completely crazy here. This month, in the span of 72 hours, our area has turned on its head. Local Sunni Tribes that have supported our enemies in the past have gotten tired of Al Qaeda and joined the fight against them. It seems crazy to us - but suddenly it just got very quiet in those areas. So we are suddenly talking (cautiously) to guys who were completely unwilling to even sit down with us and talk not long ago. This local counterinsurgency against Al Qaeda developed in our 'back yard', and its going to be a very, very interesting next month. It is a time of hope and caution and anxiety as we try to figure out which way this will turn. The hard-core Shia militia appear really antsy as they don't want us to have 'free time' to concentrate more on them. It is very complicated and we have trouble keeping most of these actors straight. And of all Spartan Brigade areas of responsibility, we are glad that those who choose to reconcile want to do it in our area where everything else seems to happen. We have had reporter after reporter coming down here, first in disbelief, then in wonder about what's going on all of a sudden. Our area of Northern Babil Province, is on the Sunni-Shia "fault line," so this reconciliation will be far more complicated than in Anbar Province. For now, at least in some of our formerly rough areas, it's suddenly very peaceful.

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Apache Company set the conditions for this Sunni reconciliation effort in our area. Their lockdown and control of the town of Jurf as Sakhr, in my mind, forced the enemy to come to the table after they had exhausted all other options. Blackfoot Company is back in the Brigade AO but is stationed over at Kalsu – they are working with 3-509 to strike at targets that were in formerly out-of-reach areas. As usual, the Blackfoot continues to excel. Comanche Company is moving around the battlefield to shore up the Iraqi Army and Police. When several VBIEDs struck our area in late May/early June, Comanche raced out to the afflicted sites, partnered with the devastated Iraqi units, and repaired their fortifications and morale. The Iraqis rave about the Comanches. Delaware Company continues to unhinge a sophisticated militia entrenched in one of our larger cities, Musayyib. Their methodical targeting of a militia that once literally held the Musayyib IPs hostage and robbed people of their freedoms has been remarkable to watch. Dog Company (3-509) continues to move to the sound of the guns and reduce problems in the largest metropolitan area the brigade owns. Their constant presence and “attack” mentality has kept this sectarian area from coming apart at the seams. Hatchet Company continues to execute the critical task of keeping the areas just outside our FOB free of significant enemy presence (in addition to the myriad of other things that Hatchet does for us). Easy Company (725 BSB) is continuing to hold together our systems. We have an incredibly elastic and flexible support element that always rises to the occasion when we need it.

The heat out here just began to combine itself more vigorously with the humidity, so we are battling that as well. Daily temps continue to average between the teens and twenties (one hundred that is) but the humidity feels as if it has doubled. I don't think I have ever been so eager for summer to end, but I hope back home that yours is going well.

Sadly, we had to send home some GERONIMOs with injuries this month, but none too serious, and all of our other paratroopers stayed safe. We did receive some new members on the team as key replacements - just at the right time.

With our last group of men headed out on leave in just a few days, we find ourselves seeing the light at the end of the tunnel. The unit that will relieve us already had its advance party here to view their future mission, and already left for home. We will load our early return containers shortly, and will start to refine the timelines for redeployment as well. It's exciting, but we also know we have to get there first, so we continue on in pursuit of our mission. I don't have any details for you yet about what weeks we expect to arrive home or when we'll be on leave, but I do expect that to begin developing shortly.

Even the most cynical and jaded media personnel that come here leave with positive words about our men, your husbands and sons. The GERONIMO Paratroopers continue to amaze me with their attitude, toughness, and courage. They are truly an American treasure and I will be happy when we can all return to our families. Until then, we will continue to press the fight against the remaining committed insurgents, the militia, and the heat.

Thanks so much for all you do for us and your GERONIMOs. We continue to receive loads of packages and letters from loved ones and Platoon Partners. It's very clear that while Americans may have mixed feelings about the conflict, they very dearly love their Paratroopers.

GERONIMO

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**From:** Tibbles, Michael A (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MATIBBLES]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 30, 2007 9:00 AM  
**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** RE: Letter

I have put together a list of names that I felt should at least be considered. There are pros and cons for each and I don't really see any one option as a clear favorite and best choice. Some thoughts are:

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Mike

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 7:39 AM

To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Cc: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Subject: Letter

Kris- in response to the negative letter to the editor in todays adn re: military picnic: i'll pen a response to that, so pls have whomever organized it or chose the theme to send a quick email on the purpose or thought that went into them choosing the theme. Cant believe someone could turn that one into a negative.

Also- did u guys get the email i sent yest on my way to Alfred Creek? Sent it on the rd, hopefully it was recvd by all of you - any kind of "i got it" would be great and then i won't follow up with other recepients until this afternoon.

Mike- any thoughts on leg liason? If, still, my idea on who it could be isnt going antwhere then we need to hustle on plan B.

Remember i'll be gone to pick up willow in orgeon and spend time with family aug 10-20.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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From: pzettler [pz@goi.net]  
 Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 9:39 PM  
 To: Notti; Emil R (CED)  
 Cc: Morton; Ginger L (CED); Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV)  
 Subject: Proposed 12 AAC 36.500-550 Continuing Education for Professional Architects, Engineers and Landscape Architects

Dear Mr. Notti:

Your Board of Architects, Engineers and Land Surveyors is moving forward to adopt regulation 12 AAC 36.500-550 mandating Continuing Education for Professional Architects, Engineers and Landscape Architects at their upcoming August meeting. The stated purpose of the proposed regulation is *"to maintain a continuing level of competency and standards for professional architects, engineers, and landscape architects, in order to promote the public health, safety and welfare within the State."*

The AELS Board provided notice of the proposed regulations in February 2007 and received public comments through April 2007. Comments were received from licensees, businesses, professional societies and State agencies. With exception of the professional societies (who sell continuing education), the vast majority of comments were opposed to the pending regulations. Some of the reasons for opposition include:

- No acknowledgement of the cost of the proposed regulations (the Board has declared them to be no cost despite assertions to the contrary by DOT Commissioner and DNR staff).
- No quantitative cost/benefit analysis.
- No acknowledgement of the additional administrative burden to DCCED to administer the proposed regulations including audits, record keeping and litigation.
- No demonstrated correlation between design professional's performance with mandatory CE and those not submitting to a mandatory CE
- No analysis to show the proposed regulations would accomplish their stated purpose.
- Vague, subjective requirements will inevitably lead to disputes and litigation.

I invite you to peruse the public comments. For your convenience I have attached several letters of opposition to the proposed regulations that were submitted by your sister agencies

The AELS Board has failed to do their homework on 12 AAC 36.500-550, ignored valid public concerns and is proceeding with a regulation that could cost \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000 per year (maybe more). The AELS Board's pursuit to adopt 12 AAC 36.500-550 is totally out of touch with the current Administration's philosophy of fiscal responsibility and responsible government

I am requesting that your office require the Board to postpone adoption of 12 AAC 36.500-550 Continuing Education for Professional Architects, Engineers and Landscape Architects until the impacts have been documented to the satisfaction of the Governor, OMB and are made available for public review/comment. Documentation should include:

- Tangible evidence that mandatory CE will actually improve the public health, safety and welfare within the State.
- Quantitative cost benefit analysis (including who pays the cost and who receives the benefit)

Please let me know if your office can fulfill this request. If you or anyone on your staff would

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like to discuss this issue further or seek clarification to anything in my letter, you can contact me at 907-227-6173 or e-mail: [pjz@gci.net](mailto:pjz@gci.net)

Sincerely

Patrick J. Zettler P.E.  
3312 West 30<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Anchorage, AK 99517

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 31, 2007 11:03 AM  
**To:** Mason; Janice L (GOV); Wilken; Jessica M (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: Friendly reminder & update: Invitation to address the 9th FAR NORTH OIL & GAS FORUM - November 26-27, 2007, TELUS Convention Centre, Calgary  
**Importance:** High

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**From:** Victor Pogostin [mailto:VPogostin@insightinfo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 31, 2007 10:46 AM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Parnell, Sean R (GOV)  
**Cc:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)  
**Subject:** Friendly reminder & update: Invitation to address the 9th FAR NORTH OIL & GAS FORUM - November 26-27, 2007, TELUS Convention Centre, Calgary  
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Dear Governor Palin and Lieutenant Governor Parnell,

Almost all speakers to the event are confirmed.

Please kindly advise me about your willingness to address this event.

If it is too early to confirm, with you permission, I can put "tentative" in the conference brochure.

Kind regards,

Dr. Victor Pogostin

Senior Executive-Conference Developer

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**From:** Victor Pogostin  
**Sent:** Friday, July 13, 2007 11:41 AM  
**To:** 'Governor@gov.state.ak.us'; 'Sean\_Parnell@gov.state.ak.us'  
**Cc:** Sandy Carpenter; 'Green, Jeff'  
**Subject:** Invitation to address the 9th FAR NORTH OIL & GAS FORUM - November 26-27, 2007, TELUS Convention Centre, Calgary

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Dear Governor Palin,

Please find attached for your kind consideration the confidential draft program for the 2007 event, presented by Insight Information/ALM.

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The Co-chairs of the event Sandy Carpenter, Partner, Fasken Martineau DuMoulin and Jeff Green, Jeff Green, Principal & Senior VP, Northern and Marine Jacques Whitford - AXYS Ltd., and I have the honor to invite you or The Honorable Sean Parnell to make the keynote lunch address on November 26, 2007.

As you may know, Insight Information is a leading provider of programs for North American, business, executive, professional and aboriginal communities. Since 1979, we have held conferences and seminars focusing on current issues and topics facing executives today. *Over the past seven years, over 1700 registrants have gained valuable insight into oil and gas operations in the North at this conference. Sean Parnell addressed this event in the past.*

Please kindly advise me about your willingness to accept this invitation. Due to time constraints in printing our conference brochure, your early advice will be truly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Dr. Victor Pogostin

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5th Atlantic Canada Power Summit, Sept. 25-26, 2007, Delta Brunswick Hotel, Saint John, NB

Heavy Oil Refining, October 3-4, 2007, Crowner Plaza Hotel, Edmonton

8th Alberta Power Summit, Nov. 5-6 & Carbon Trading Seminar Nov. 7, 2007, Metropolitan Centre, Calgary

9th Far North Oil & Gas Forum, November 26-27, 2007, TELUS Convention Centre, Calgary

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From: Frye, Ivy J (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=IJFRIE]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 10:15 PM  
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
Subject: Wev

You just got a shout out from wev on the news : )

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From: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MATIBBLES]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 9:40 PM  
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
Subject: Re: Knik and Gravina Re: Meeting Wednesday August 1

The bridge money is on hold and available for other national highway projects. The road money that was part of the earmark is not really available to return to the feds. The contract was signed and we are liable to pay the contractor. The project was separate from the bridge money and was intended to open access to additional forrest land. I asked DOT if the work was scheduled to be done soon and they replied that it would be this year. The problem we were presented coming in was that if we stopped all the work on the road, we may have had a partial project completed, and may have been required to pay the contractor and even cancel another road project to get the funds to pay back the feds.

Whenever I am asked by a concerned citizen, I tell them that it was this administration that put the hold on the gravina bridge due to the high costs and lack of funding.

Mike

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>  
To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)  
Sent: Tue Jul 31 19:33:58 2007  
Subject: Re: Knik and Gravina Re: Meeting Wednesday August 1

I haven't seen the frontiersman article.

Is giving the \$ back to the feds and option? It would gain us more than it would cost us. Why wouldnt DOT have presented that option to me?

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>  
  
Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2007 18:05:35  
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Subject: RE: Knik and Gravina Re: Meeting Wednesday August 1

I talked to McKinnon and Leo today. Everything is still on hold on the bridge. The notice to proceed for the design work has not gone out. The Lt. Gov when visiting Ketchikan also passed along that there are funding issues and selection the most expensive option was definitely not viable. The road project on the island is continuing but there is not much we can do there. It was a federal earmark that we can not use on anything else. Also since the award was already made to the contractor prior to us coming in we would have been exposed to damages to the contractor and even paying the feds back if were to stop the work.

We do need to get an update on KABATA. I asked DOT about the article in the Frontiersman today. They were confused as well and called the paper to inquire. I was told that the following correction will be run.

Mike

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Mike,

The Frontiersman will be printing this correction to their article. It corrects some numbers, but remains somewhat confusing

John

A Sunday, July 29 article in The Frontiersman, "DOT May Change Its Priorities For Knik Bridge," should have stated that funding for the Knik Arm Bridge will rise if the Knik Arm Bridge and Toll Authority can organize private sector and public funding. Also, the 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan identified \$1.4 billion in annual transportation needs, rather than the \$6 billion figure quoted. The Frontiersman regrets the error.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 9:46 AM

To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)

Cc: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Kelly, Russell T (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Von Scheben, Leo (DOT); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Knik and Gravina Re: Meeting Wednesday August 1

Im sure we can find time - and as for Kabata, I hope folks know my intention is to continue to NOT support the nonsensical notion that the state can fund Gravina and/or Knik Crossing. If the feds can't fund these projects that have minimal public support, then they're not going to happen.

I am very frustrated to hear that funds are being spent on Gravina, still, yet the project does NOT have my support bc of the funding issues, long-term.

Mike - PLEASE tell DOT their actions makes us look inconsistent (and clueless) and Federal officials will take it out on us with future funding requests bc of all the "problems" we're having to clean up - including corruption and misplaced priorities from the past.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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From: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2007 09:17:40

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: Meeting Wednesday August 1

Dear Governor Palin and Mr. Tibbles, I will be in Juneau tomorrow, Wednesday August 1, is there a time when we could meet to review:

The Marine Mammal Protection Act

The latest request on KABATA and the report I have on what is likely coming

The plan of action I have for the VECO matter based on our last meeting, it is a two page memo which I would like to confirm your approval of before I initiate it.

Any time tomorrow would be fine. Thanks

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 9:11 PM  
To: Lloyd; Denby S (DFG); Campbell; Craig (MVA); Colberg; Talis J (LAW)  
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Mills; Andy J (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
Subject: Re: Veteranan Hunt Extensions

Thank you Denby!

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From: "Lloyd, Denby S (DFG)" <denby.1loyd@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2007 20:14:04

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Campbell, Craig (MVA)" <craig.campbell12@us.army.mil>, "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, "Mills, Andy J (GOV)" <andy.mills@alaska.gov>, "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>, "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Subject: Veteranan Hunt Extensions

Governor:

I have asked staff to review our authorities and concerns with your request to allow hunting season extensions for returning servicemen. I hope to have some detailed information for you in the next couple days.

Gen. Campbell: Can you give us more information: e.g., more precisely they will be returning, how many of them there are, and where they reside?

DL.

Denby S. Lloyd

Commissioner

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

P.O. Box 115526

Juneau, AK 99811-5526

907-465-4719

Mike and Mike and Denby and Craig: the #1 request I got from Alaskan troops in Kuwait was for an extension of hunting season - this is their second moose/caribou season they have to miss bc of the Guard's deployment timing. I told them (there aren't that many who'd utilize the extension) that I'd do ALL I could to let them fill their freezers this year. They return in October and need a few weeks to hunt. The Bush Ak troops - all Natives whom I spoke with - asked for this. I think it's perfect and request that this be allowed for them. Rep Nancy Dallstrom told me whatever she can do with this request, she'll do. Can this be done via Ex or Admin Order? I thought it was an awesome request. Proxy hunts possible? Xtention for them to hunt when they return (that's what they want to do...).

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [sharon.leighow@alaska.gov]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 7:10 PM  
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)  
Subject: Re: #1 - letter from Rob Wells

Governor, Kris:

Please disregard the earlier email. As I was working on a response, I inadvertently hit send.

Kristin responded to the ADN - she basically said that any decision Mr. Wells made would not have a significant impact on Mat Maid.

Stephanie from Daily News was looking for controversy that isn't there.

Sorry for the confusion.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>  
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)  
Sent: Tue Jul 31 17:48:36 2007  
Subject: #1 - letter from Rob Wells

I didnt get to read the letter tho. So also ask Kris her input  
Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
  
Date: Wed, 1 Aug 2007 01:47:31  
To: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>  
Subject: Re: letter from Rob Wells

Pls add that i have great confidence in the new board and its committment to finding solutions to the challenges facing AK's ag industry.

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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2007 17:43:42

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: letter from Rob Wells

Governor:

Have you read the letter Rob Wells sent to you regarding his plan to possibly put his hormone free milk venture on hold? ADN would like a comment.

How about something like:

The governor is pleased with the spirit of cooperation that has come about as we seek long and short-term solutions to the Mat Maid situation. Mr. Wells' offer to withdraw his proposal to produce hormone free milk is being vetted by the Board of Agriculture.  
Governor Palin

Sharon Leighow

Deputy Press Secretary

Deputy Communications Director

(907) 269-7450 Anchorage

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 3:06 PM  
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Todd Palin  
Subject: IOGCC

J: if you can find anything on the mtg in Sept in New Orleans, pls let me know. They should have an agenda out by now, maybe?

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 2:59 PM  
To: Katz; John W (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)  
Cc: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Larry A Persily; Bishop; Samuel T (GOV); Hartig; Lawrence L (DEC); Lloyd; Denby S (DFG); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
Subject: Re: NGA/Natural Resources Committee

Thanks so much John. Glad we'll have this opportunity to work formally with NGA on those priorities so important to AK that you've outlined in your email - especially energy policy.

I look forward to future reports on our new role in NGA, and I appreciate your work in getting me the gig as vice chair of the committee.

Also, Kris will contact you soon regarding your DC office's role in the PPT special session that I shall call - to be held in October.

Thanks!

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From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>

Date: Mon, 30 Jul 2007 15:50:11

To: "Kris Perry" <kris\_perry@gov.state.ak.us>, "Governor Sarah Palin" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc: "Tom Irwin" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>, "Larry Persily" <lpersily@ALASKADC.org>, "Sam Bishop" <sbishop@ALASKADC.org>, "Larry Hartig" <larry\_hartig@dec.state.ak.us>, "Denby Lloyd" <denby\_lloyd@fishgame.state.ak.us>, "Joseph Balash" <joe\_balash@gov.state.ak.us>, "Michael Tibbles" <michael\_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us>, "Mike Nizich" <mike\_nizich@gov.state.ak.us>

Subject: NGA/Natural Resources Committee

We met today with staffs of the Natural Resources Committee of NGA = and Governor Manchin, the next Chair of the Committee, to discuss agendas = and logistics for the year when Governor Palin will be Vice-Chair. =

Subject to your approval, we identified three high priority issues = for the Committee to pursue. These issues are climate change, energy = policy, and the Endangered Species Act. Governor Manchin is quite = anxious to pursue a coal-to-liquids initiative. We had no problem = with this, but indicated Alaska's desire to focus on responsible oil and = gas

development as an essential element of national energy policy. = The NGA does not deal with state specific issues, preferring instead to = work on generic initiatives. (However, existing NGA policy does = mention the need to commercialize North Slope natural gas.)

The Natural Resources Committee has developed a list of policy = resolutions that will sunset at the winter meeting. None of these is = deemed to be particularly controversial, and they should not require much = time between now and the winter meeting.

Regarding logistics, the staffs of the Natural Resources = Committee, Governor Manchin, and this office will meet every two = weeks for the time being to discuss progress in achieving agenda items.&nbs= p; Later, we will meet weekly as the winter meeting approaches. = There will be periodic meetings/teleconferences of the staffs for each = Governor represented on the Natural Resources Committee, and either = Governor Manchin's staff or this office will chair these meetings.

The NGA staff will do most of the heavy lifting in preparation for = the NGA winter meeting and in the interim period. Such work will = entail writing draft letters and resolutions for consideration by the = Chair and Vice-Chair of the Natural Resources Committee and the = identification of speakers and drafting talking points for the winter = meeting.

We all felt good about today's meeting. I think Governor = Manchin and his staff will be easy for the Palin administration to work = with, and the Committee staff are eager to assist. We will give = you periodic reports as matters proceed.

Please let me know if you have any comments or questions regarding = the foregoing.

Please note that my email address has = changed. My new email address = is <mailto:jwkatz@alaskadc.org> jwkatz@alaskadc.org. = Thank you .

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From: Todd Palin [fek9wnr@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 2:50 PM  
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Sarah Palin; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Austerman; Joseph M (CED)  
Subject: Fwd: [FWD: LETTER TEXT]  
Attachments: LETTER TEXT] (11.5 KB)



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Note: forwarded message attached.

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- Check it out.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 9:53 AM  
To: Colberg; Talis J (LAW)  
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Von Scheben; Leo (DOT); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
Subject: Re: Knik and Gravina Re: Meeting Wednesday August 1

Juneau access rd is, unfortunately, in this same category (until long-term funding solutions can be found).

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2007 17:45:30

To: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Russell T Kelly" <russ\_kelly@gov.state.ak.us>, "Kristina Y Perry" <kris\_perry@gov.state.ak.us>, "Joseph R Balash" <joe\_balash@gov.state.ak.us>, "Leo Von Scheben" <leo\_vonscheben@dot.state.ak.us>, "Sharon W Leighow" <sharon\_leighow@gov.state.ak.us>, "Kristina Y Perry" <kris\_perry@gov.state.ak.us>

Subject: Knik and Gravina Re: Meeting Wednesday August 1

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I am very frustrated to hear that funds are being spent on Gravina, still, yet the project does NOT have my support bc of the funding issues, long-term.

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From: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2007 09:17:40

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: Meeting Wednesday August 1

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The Marine Mammal Protection Act

The latest request on KABATA and the report I have on what is likely coming

The plan of action I have for the VECO matter based on our last meeting, it is a two page memo which I would like to confirm your approval of before I initiate it.

Any time tomorrow would be fine. Thanks

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 9:48 AM  
To: karen.russell@nsbsd.org  
Subject: RE: Education

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 9:52 AM  
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: Education

Web mail from: Ms. Karen Hopson-Russell  
address: PO Box 19 Barrow AK 99723  
907-852-5311

### MESSAGE:

Good morning from the Top of the World, Barrow Alaska. My name is Karen, I work for the North Slope Borough School District, Executive Assistant/Communications Coordinator in the Superintendent's office. The NSBSD Barrow Whaler Football Team will be hosting their first football game of the 2007/08 season on the new ProjectTurf on August 18, 2007, we would like to cordially invite you to attend this history making event with the Barrow Whaler team. The visiting team will be the Seward Seahawks. If you can send me confirmation that you will be able to attend or not, I would appreciate that very much. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask, I may be reached at 907-852-5311 ext. 1530 or 852-9530, or via my E-mail address at karen.russell@nsbsd.org. Thank you in advance, Karen Hopson-Russell BARROW HIGH GRADUATE OF 1982!!

karen.russell@nsbsd.org

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 9:46 AM  
To: Colberg; Talis J (LAW)  
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Von Scheben; Leo (DOT); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)  
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To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: Meeting Wednesday August 1

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Any time tomorrow would be fine. Thanks

Talis



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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 8:07 AM  
To: mlayman@mtaonline.net  
Subject: RE: Fish\_and\_Game

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 6:20 AM  
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: Fish\_and\_Game

Web mail from: Mr. Michael Layman  
address: P.O box 877428 Wasilla AK 99687

### MESSAGE:

I have lived in this state for 16 years now and am growing very disinterested in Alaskan hunting. Why is that? I fully understand the tier 2 system but I dont understand the strange way you now grade this hunt based on income. Yea I make over 100K per year and yea I can afford the meat. What about enjoyment of the hunt itself, what about taking my grandson hunting in this area, the real things of hunting seem lost in the interest of just having something to screw up. rnrnDrawing permits, do you know how dissapointing it is year after year to look at the web site only to discover "you did not win any of the hunts you applied for"? Under the current Random computer drawing, I have little or no chance, year after year the results are the same. I have sent simular email to the ADFG asking them to consider preference points. Most lower 48 states use this system and even I would have some hope of a tag at some point, If I lived long enough. I never got a response. rnrnDoes!

this sound like a lot of whining? It probably is but I am very discouraged with the current system. This year I have decided to just buy a Bison from the folks in Delta. I will willingly pay the \$3500 for meat with a known origin. I would gladly pay the state that same money for some of your tags. rnrnPlease dont respond with the usual "we appreciate your comments and they will be passed on to the govenor"; Either actually look into this problem or delete it, dont dissappoint me further trying to be everything for everybody. Mike Layman

mlayman@mtaonline.net

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 12:48 AM  
To: Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Irwin; Tom E (DNR)  
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)  
Subject: Re: Conoco Meeting Briefing Document

Thanks!

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)" <patrick.galvin@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2007 00:47:01

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, "Rutherford, Martha K (DNR)" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>, "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Subject: Conoco Meeting Briefing Document

Governor,

Attached is a DNR-DOR briefing document for the Mulva/Bowels Meeting Tuesday.

I believe we will be meeting with you for 30 minutes beforehand, and we can go over any questions or additional information at that time.

-Pat

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**From:** Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [kris.perry@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 31, 2007 5:40 PM  
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
**Subject:** documentary

Tomorrow at 12:30, Sprocketheads will be filming a quick sound byte of you at the airport. The location will be in the general vicinity of the Alaska Airlines check-in (they are unable to pin point exact until they are on-site). This is for a documentary that they are doing on Martin Buser. It will be brief, about 10 minutes. They will ask you to comment on your friendship with Martin and what he means to Alaska.

The gentleman's name is Steve. He said he has done work with you before.

I also shared with Bob that it is not necessary for airport personnel to greet and escort.

Kris

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From: abaker@polarexpressalaska.com  
 Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 2:45 PM  
 To: fek9wnr@yahoo.com  
 Subject: [FWD: LETTER TEXT]

I would like to take a moment to introduce you to Polar Express, a new and exciting opportunity for Alaskans that will provide a choice in air travel in our beautiful State.

Polar Express Group LLC is majority owned by Alaskan natives, and is managed by Alaskan Natives and long-time Alaskan residents. Our business was conceived by and is owned by long time Alaskans that want to provide private and public charters within Alaska with a Boeing 737 aircraft that we have leased from Sky King, Inc. in California.

After careful study of the intra-Alaska market, we determined that the best place to start is between Anchorage and Prudhoe Bay. The idea was to provide an alternative for the workers in Prudhoe Bay and to make more seats available to the residents of North Slope communities. The simple fact is that with all the work going on in the oil patch, it is difficult to get a seat to and from Anchorage. Polar Express wants to offer a good schedule, six days a week between Anchorage and Prudhoe Bay.

This aircraft would be available for other charter work around the state, too. Larger groups that currently have no opportunity to travel except on public flights would find a reasonably priced alternative with just a phone call.

The hitch is that there is a law that was passed in 1977 that prevents operators of large aircraft from providing service between two points in Alaska, unless they were already established in Alaska. That means no new big airplane operations! Because we want to do things right, Polar Express Group LLC filed for operating authority on behalf of Skyking, Inc. to conduct public and private charters within Alaska. If you want to read the law, you can check it out at <http://law.justia.com/us/codes/title49/49usc41104.html>.

Within 90 days of Polar Express' start up, it is our intention to have Alaskan flight and cabin crews flying the airplane. All present and future jobs at Polar Express are new jobs and are not displacing anyone from their work. Polar Express would also support a host of vendors to service the aircraft and passengers. This effort would provide new air travel service to Alaskans, create more money in our state economy, and provide new jobs to Alaskans.

**We Need Your Help!**

This effort is in a public comment period, and ANY organization, entity or individual can comment as a matter of public record. This public comment period ends on August 3. If you, anyone you know, or even your employer support what Polar Express is trying to accomplish, then please make your opinion known to the DOT and the rest of Alaska!

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Please show your support by clicking on this link:

<https://dms.dot.gov/submit/dspSubmission.cfm>. The docket number is "28795" (The full number is OST-2007-28795). The Operating Administration is "OST." Complete the remaining information and let your voice be heard! Spread the word! Please support this Alaskan Native business by posting your public comment by August 3.

Polar Express is working hard to give Alaskans a choice in their travel options. We welcome the opportunity to serve you in the near future. If you have questions, you can call us at 907-245-5111.

Thank you in advance for your help!

Andy Baker, President  
Polar Express Group LLC

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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 31, 2007 5:05 PM  
**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Cc:** Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** Graveside Svc. for PFC

Governor — I just received the notification of the graveside service for Private First Class Jessie S. Rogers of Copper Center. The service will be held Monday, August 6 @ 2:30 p.m. It will be at the Ft. Richardson Cemetery. The family is aware that you may be attending (this has not been confirmed). This is listed on your calendar with driving directions. Thank you, Janice

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 6:20 PM  
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Subject: FW: tomorrow

Governor - Here is the outline for the reception tomorrow evening in Juneau. I have added this information to your calendar also. Thanks, Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 5:17 PM  
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Mason, Janice L (GOV)  
Subject: FW: tomorrow

-----Original Message-----

From: Paulette Simpson [mailto:pauletttem@gsi.net]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 5:05 PM  
To: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)  
Cc: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
Subject: tomorrow

Hi Erika,

Here's an outline for tomorrow:

Connie McKenzie (President) and Ginger Johnso

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From: Frye, Ivy J (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=IJFRYE]  
 Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 11:31 AM  
 To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
 Cc: mike\_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us; Clark; Christopher G (GOV); Kris Perry; Saddler, Daniel R (GOV)  
 Subject: Task Force to Review the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

Hi Governor,

You may recall signing 15 bills into law on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. One of those bills was HB 215, sponsored by Rep. Anna Fairclough.

HB 215 establishes the task force to review the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. This task force would prepare and present a report to the full Legislature by March 1, 2008 – and then will be repealed on April 16, 2008. The task force would bring members of the Legislature and administration together with members of the public to have frank and comprehensive discussions about the council and the issues it addresses.

Rep. Fairclough's chief-of-staff is staffing the task force and has scheduled the first meeting this Friday (Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>) to elect a chair and to set a six-month agenda before Rep. Fairclough leaves town for the next three weeks.

As governor, you appoint 5 members of your administration (a representative from Law, Corrections, Education, DHSS, and Public Safety), and two public members (1 from a pop. of less than 2,500 and 1 from a pop. of more than 2,500). I've contacted your commissioners and their special assistants to see whom they recommend for this board, as well as talked to Rep. Fairclough and the executive directors of the Network on DVSA and the Council on DVSA to come up with public member recommendations.

Here are the names that have come forward from your commissioners for your review:

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| Corrections:   | Privileged or Personal Material Redacted |
| Education:     | Privileged or Personal Material Redacted |
|                | Privileged or Personal Material Redacted |
| DHSS:          | Privileged or Personal Material Redacted |
| Public Safety: | Privileged or Personal Material Redacted |
| Law:           | Privileged or Personal Material Redacted |

Here are the names that have come forward from Rep. Fairclough, and people interested in serving in public seats:

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| Privileged or Personal Material Redacted |
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I can brief you more tomorrow, I just wanted to make sure you had a heads up as this progresses. Thank you for your time Governor! Hope all is well up north.

See you soon,

8/24/2009

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director of boards and commissions  
office of governor sarah palin  
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Fax (907) 465-8110

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From: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MATIBBLES]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 5:21 PM  
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Subject: Extradiction

I have a new extradition request. There is an outstanding arrest warrant for Michael Cottings on four counts of nonsupport of dependents from the State of Ohio. Everything looks in order so I will sign the order and get it back to the Criminal Division at the Department of Law.

Mike

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From: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MATIBBLES]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 9:54 AM  
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Subject: RE: Email

Will do. I will get back to you soon.

Mike

-----Original Message-----

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Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 9:33 AM  
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
Subject: Email

I haven't heard back from Denby or Campbell on my request to extend hunting season for AK troops at war. (I wrote the email Sunday)

Mike - would u follow up w/them? I hate to bug and remind people - that's why any acknowledgement of my "sent" emails is so appreciated, I at least know they recvd the message. Pls let them know of my directive on that, and they can re-read Sunday's email if they need more info on it. Thanks

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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From: Hartig, Lawrence L (DEC) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=LLHARTIG]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 8:21 AM  
To: 'chuck heath'  
Cc: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: RE: Discussing climate change ideas

Hi Chuck,

I am interested in hearing your thoughts on the direction we need to be taking on adapting to the effects of climate change. We are working with the University of Alaska. I have met several times with Dan White, who is their lead engineering person on climate change issues, and on the list of experts you provided. The University's Vice Chancellor of Research, Buck Sharpton, has been appointed by President Hamilton as their liaison to the Climate Change sub-cabinet.

If you have time to talk today (Tuesday,) I am open at 2 pm or 4 pm. We have a Climate Change sub-cabinet meeting starting at 10 am tomorrow. The morning session of the meeting is open to the public. You are certainly welcome to attend. Please see our website at: [http://www.dec.state.ak.us/public\\_notices.htm](http://www.dec.state.ak.us/public_notices.htm) for more information about the meeting. The meeting is at DEC's Environmental Health Lab as described in the public notice.

If it is more convenient for you, we could get together when you get back in town. Please let me know what works best for you.

Thanks,

Larry

-----Original Message-----

From: chuck heath [mailto:chckheath@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 10:33 AM  
To: Hartig, Lawrence L (DEC)  
Cc: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: Re: Discussing climate change ideas

Hi Larry,

Thanks for contacting me. Sarah might have told you that I just returned from a two week class/symposium on climate change and coastal erosion in the Arctic.

The general feeling among most of the scientists is that the earth is going through a natural warming cycle (human emissions probably account for only 1-2% of it) and that the accelerated coastal erosion we're experiencing is decreasing the albedo effect and greatly increasing solar absorption in the oceans, which in turn further warms the atmosphere and leads to even more erosion and permafrost melting. I can make this clearer to you when we meet.

Since this cycle seems to be mostly natural (I know, not politically what everyone wants to hear), the state's focus should be on adaptation to the changes that seem to be inevitable. This is not to say we shouldn't be concerned about cutting emissions. That should still be a focus; cutting emissions not only keeps our environment cleaner, but decreases our dependence on foreign fuel imports, etc...which is another story.

I understand you've put together an advisory team to discuss a lot of what I've mentioned above. I would hope that the team would include some of the top university scientists we have available right here in Alaska. I met personally with Dr. Syun-Ichi Akasofu, the former director of the International Arctic Research Center, and he is more than happy to be part of it. He just returned from D.C. after addressing the United States Senate subcommittee on Global Climate Change and Impacts. He spoke directly to them about everything I mentioned above.

I will forward an email to you from another UAF

professor (Dr. Gerhard Kramm) which includes a list of scientists and their resumes, who would also be willing to be part of this.

I can meet with you sometime tomorrow or Wednesday if you'd like. I will be leaving town Thursday for a week.

Thanks Larry,

Chuck

--- "Hartig, Lawrence L (DEC)"

<larry.hartig@alaska.gov> wrote:

> Chuck,

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> The Governor tells me you have a strong interest in  
> climate change and

> ideas on what the state of Alaska needs to be doing  
> in this regard. As

> she may have told you, I chair the Alaska Climate

> Change Sub-cabinet

> formed by the Governor. The sub-cabinet is new. We

> are working on a

> draft Climate Change Strategy for the Governor's

> consideration.

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> If you would be interested in discussing your ideas

> on climate change

> with me, I would like to schedule a time to do this.

> I would also be

> interested in hearing how climate change topics are  
> being taught in the  
> classroom.  
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> Please contact me either by email or phone. My  
> direct line in Anchorage  
> is Privileged.  
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> Thanks for your interest. I hope we can talk soon.  
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> Larry Hartig  
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> Commissioner of the Alaska Dept. of Environmental  
> Conservation  
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From: Galvin, Patrick S (DOR) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=PSGALVIN1]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 12:47 AM  
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Irwin; Tom E  
(DNR)  
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)  
Subject: Conoco Meeting Briefing Document

Governor,

Attached is a DNR-DOR briefing document for the Mulva/Bowels Meeting Tuesday.

I believe we will be meeting with you for 30 minutes beforehand, and we can go over any questions or additional information at that time.

-Pat



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From: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MATIBBLES]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 6:06 PM  
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Subject: RE: Knik and Gravina Re: Meeting Wednesday August 1

I talked to McKinnon and Leo today. Everything is still on hold on the bridge. The notice to proceed for the design work has not gone out. The Lt. Gov when visiting Ketchikan also passed along that there are funding issues and selection the most expensive option was definitely not viable. The road project on the island is continuing but there is not much we can do there. It was a federal earmark that we can not use on anything else. Also since the award was already made to the contractor prior to us coming in we would have been exposed to damages to the contractor and even paying the feds back if were to stop the work.

We do need to get an update on KABATA. I asked DOT about the article in the Frontiersman today. They were confused as well and called the paper to inquire. I was told that the following correction will be run.

Mike

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Mike,

The Frontiersman will be printing this correction to their article. It corrects some numbers, but remains somewhat confusing

John

A Sunday, July 29 article in The Frontiersman, "DOT May Change Its Priorities For Knik Bridge," should have stated that funding for the Knik Arm Bridge will rise if the Knik Arm Bridge and Toll Authority can organize private sector and public funding. Also, the 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan identified \$1.4 billion in annual transportation needs, rather than the \$6 billion figure quoted. The Frontiersman regrets the error.

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 9:46 AM

To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)

Cc: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Kelly, Russell T (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Von Scheben, Leo (DOT); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Knik and Gravina Re: Meeting Wednesday August 1

Im sure we can find time - and as for Kabata, I hope folks know my intention is to continue to NOT support the nonsensical notion that the state can fund Gravina and/or Knik Crossing. If the feds can't fund these projects that have minimal public support, then they're not going to happen.

I am very frustrated to hear that funds are being spent on Gravina, still, yet the project does NOT have my support bc of the funding issues, long-term.

Mike - PLEASE tell DOT their actions makes us look inconsistent (and clueless) and Federal officials will take it out on us with future funding requests bc of all the "problems" we're having to clean up - including corruption and misplaced priorities from the past.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2007 09:17:40

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: Meeting Wednesday August 1

Dear Governor Palin and Mr. Tibbles, I will be in Juneau tomorrow, Wednesday August 1, is there a time when we could meet to review:

The Marine Mammal Protection Act

The latest request on KABATA and the report I have on what is likely coming

The plan of action I have for the VECO matter based on our last meeting, it is a two page memo which I would like to confirm your approval of before I initiate it.

Any time tomorrow would be fine. Thanks

Talis

**Byers, Gail Y (LAW)**

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**From:** Balash, Joseph R (GOV) [joe.balash@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 31, 2007 8:46 AM  
**To:** Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV); gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Here's the older format...

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6/9/2009

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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Governor Palin  
**FROM:** Joe Balash

**DATE:** 7/31/07  
**PHONE:** (907) 465-4022

**SUBJECT:** Meeting with Alaska Conservation Alliance 7/31/07

### **Attendees/Organizational Background**

The Alaska Conservation Alliance is the umbrella organization that ties most of the conservation groups in Alaska together under a single banner. There are approximately 40 member organizations. It is organized as 501(c)(3) non-profit organization funded by member contributions as well as donations raised from the large grant-making institutions around the country.

They meet twice a year, in May and November, to organize and coordinate the member groups to revise strategies and identify emerging issues. ACA lobbies the legislature and has a sister-organization, the Alaska Conservation Voters, to influence elections around the state. I believe you attended a candidate's forum

ACA is led by executive director Kate Troll. You met Kate this spring when she was meeting with me about ACA's legislative agenda. She plays basketball and may bring that up as a means of fostering a relationship with you. Kate also penned an op-ed piece supporting AGIA this past spring and she attended the signing ceremony in Fairbanks.

A separate sheet listing the individual attendees and their respective organizations follows. They would like you to comment on and discuss with you the following subjects.

### **Climate Change**

Climate change is the issue for conservation groups today—including those in Alaska. Nearly all policy items on their agenda can be tied back to climate change one way or another. The leading human cause for climate change is, of course, carbon dioxide. As such, they are most interested in the carbon "footprint" of a given project, activity, or policy.

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So, what can be done to reduce Alaska's carbon footprint? The biggest single thing we can do is get as many of our communities off of diesel generated electricity. Which leads nicely into the next subject.

### **Renewable Energy**

The Department of Natural Resources is currently conducting an inventory of alternative energy supplies across Alaska. This builds on work begun by Renewable Energy for Alaska Program (REAP) in cooperation with AIDEA/AEA last year. The information is largely already in existence, but needs to be brought together in one place—a Geographic Information System—so that planners can identify what fuel sources are near to a given location and then match up the appropriate technology with the fuel source. Funds for this effort were requested and approved in the recent capital budget.

In addition to alternative fuels, we are looking at the enormous hydro power potential in Southeast Alaska. AEA continues to define the feasibility of an intertie connection into British Columbia that would make clean, green hydro power available to Northwest and West Coast power markets. It is believed that such power would be attractive in California, where Governor Schwarzenegger believes they have set off the next rush—a rush for green energy rather than gold.

There are some seasonal problems with hydro as well as wind. Because of this, these are not ideal energy sources for baseload power. However, they do complement each other and may be able to provide a unique combination that result in truly "green" baseload power. Investors with the American Insurance

Group (AIG) are seeking an audience with you to pursue a potential project that would utilize SE AK hydro and combine it with British Columbia wind and deliver it all via subsea cable to California. A willingness to meet with AIG would demonstrate to this group that you are open to innovative ideas and projects that fit with their overall agenda...even though there are a lot of things you will part ways over (ANWR, off-shore drilling that is supported by locals).

Another renewable energy discussion point is a piece of legislation sponsored by Speaker Harris and currently resting, quietly, in Bert Stedman's Senate Finance Committee. It would set up a renewable energy fund that would support projects, primarily on the railbelt, that utilize renewable energy. The big question is, where will the funds for this endowment come from? One-time surpluses from a non-renewable resource like oil makes some sense. Another option may be the Railbelt Energy Fund, which lives to be spent yet again thanks to your line-item vetoes last month.

While not directly related to renewable energy or climate change, there is some benefit to coordinated planning for electricity generation for the years ahead. The AEA kicked off its study of the Unified Systems Operator concept last week and we are looking forward to results at the end of the year. If we can coordinate the planning, development, and operation of electricity generation plants, the co-ops can identify the most efficient plants out there for future power needs. More efficiency means lower costs for consumers, but also lower fuel demands per kW of electricity. That is attractive to these groups.

#### **Mega Transportation Projects**

The two big projects these groups are most interested in are the Juneau Access Project and the Knik Arm Bridge and Toll Authority project. Russ Kelly has already provided you with information on these projects.

cc: Mike Tibbles, COS

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**From:** Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV) [karen.rehfeld@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 01, 2007 3:57 PM  
**To:** 'Kathy A. Berzanske'; 'Dick Cattnach'; 'George Cannelos'; 'Governor Sarah Palin'; 'Jamilia George'; 'Judy Jaworski'; 'Julie Kitka'; 'Karen Perdue'; 'Karen Perdue's Assistant'; Spencer; Karl L (GOV); 'Kathie Wasserman'; 'Vince Beltrami'; 'Vince's Assistant'  
**Subject:** RE: KWETHLUK AND KIPNUK CLINIC OPENINGS

Kathy - Thanks for this information. I will not be able to attend either of these events but I do appreciate knowing about them! Karen Rehfeld

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Karen J. Rehfeld, Director  
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**From:** Kathy A. Berzanske [mailto:KBerzanske@denali.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 01, 2007 3:12 PM  
**To:** Dick Cattnach; George Cannelos; Governor Sarah Palin; Jamilia George; Judy Jaworski; Julie Kitka; Karen Perdue; Karen Perdue's Assistant; Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV); Spencer, Karl L (GOV); Kathie Wasserman; Vince Beltrami; Vince's Assistant  
**Subject:** KWETHLUK AND KIPNUK CLINIC OPENINGS

Good Afternoon Commissioner's:

I apologize for not getting this information to you sooner.

Kwethluk will be holding an opening ceremony for their clinic on Tuesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>. The new clinic was started in the fall of 2006 when the last barge brought material up the Kuskokwim River to the village. Because of the population (721) and the number of patient encounters, a larger 3,200 square foot clinic was built to serve the people there with exam rooms, a dentistry office, sleep-over quarters, behavioral health office, a pharmacy room, waiting area, bathrooms and an office.

Funding for the clinic was as follows

Denali Commission: \$1,711,842,  
 A matching grant from HUD in the amount of \$196,479  
 An IHS Medical Equipment grant for \$305,303.

YKHC designed and built the clinic using the force account methodology, hiring local labor. The clinic will be owned and operated by the Kwethluk IRA Council. There were between 5 and 6 local hires working on the job at any one time.

If you are interested in attending the opening ceremony for this clinic in Kwethluk, please let me know ASAP so we can make the arrangements, or if you prefer to attend one later in the month, Kipnuk will also have an opening ceremony that is tentatively scheduled for Monday, August 27, 2007.

I am including flight information from Anchorage to Bethel and return if you are interested.

**Alaska Airlines**

Flight 41 -- Anchorage to Bethel, leaves at 6:00 a.m.  
 Flight 46 -- Bethel to Anchorage, leaves at 8:30 p.m.

There are other flights but I think these are the only ones that would work if you wanted to do a day trip.

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